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Miners call special conference to fight pit closures

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

Miners' leaders yesterday took the first step towards a strike by making official a strike by militant Scottish miners ...

22 held in cancer charity raid

The police were questioning 22 people after raids by the Fraud Squad in London and Peterborough in connection with the activities of the charity Children with Cancer ...

Argentine drive for UN support

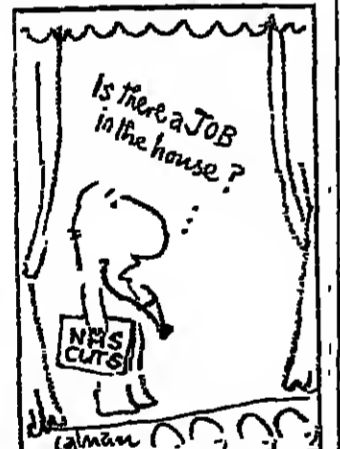
Argentina launched a campaign at the UN for European support for the junta's Falklands policy ...

Bejerman stable

Sir John Bejerman remained on the danger list at Brompton Hospital, London, but his condition was said to be stable ...

IRA arrests

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£1.6m yearling

A European record price of £1,627,500 was paid by a Robert Sangster syndicate for a Hello Gorgeous yearling colt at Newmarket ...

Football results

- Barnsley 3, Grimsby Town 1; Fulham 2, Notts County 1; Walsley Athletic 0, Charlton Athletic 0 ...

Hitch over Lebanon peace talks

The guns remained silent in Lebanon for the second consecutive day in spite of failure by the various armed factions to agree on a meeting site ...

More Cunard work goes abroad

Cunard infuriated Britain's work-starved shipyards again yesterday by taking yet another passenger ship contract abroad ...

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Australia gets bolt as well as cup



Cup glory: A jubilant Mr Alan Bond, head of the victorious Australian syndicate, with the America's Cup.

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Iron Lady sends the west wild



Canadian meeting: Mrs Thatcher with Mr William Davis, Premier of Ontario.

Mrs Margaret Thatcher flew west last night to meet a mao after her own heart. He is tough, plain speaking, intimidating and uncompromising ...

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Advertisement for BHHI (British Home & Hospital for Incurables) featuring text like 'INCURABLE? -Yes.', 'UNHAPPY? -No.', and 'The British Home and Hospital for Incurables specialises in looking after men and women suffering from progressive paralytic diseases...'.

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# Junior housemen criticized by GPs after death of 6 patients

General practitioners who send patients to the Prince Charles Hospital in Merthyr Tydfil, Mid Glamorgan, where six people have died during the past year shortly after being refused admission or discharged, have claimed that junior housemen appear to be challenging their assessments.

The family doctors want a meeting with senior consultants at the hospital to draw up an agreed medical admissions procedure. Mid Glamorgan Health Authority has already announced an inquiry into practices at the hospital, where there is often a shortage of medical beds because of the area's high illness rate.

In spite of the authority's claim that the record of the hospital's casualty department is as good as that of any other, Mr Edward Rowlands, Labour MP for Merthyr and Rhymney, has said that there is a "clear and growing concern" over some of the cases it handles.

It emerged yesterday that Mrs Janice James, aged 43, died a few hours after holding a small party to celebrate her discharge from the hospital. She died of heart disease which, her doctors point out, is not uncommon even in apparently fit people.

One GP, Dr Anil Srivastava, made a formal complaint to the hospital after learning that a woman patient, aged 53, had died of a heart complaint at her home although he had asked for her to be admitted.

He said yesterday: "This problem does not occur with surgical cases who are admitted straight away into the wards. But in medical cases it appears that often junior doctors of limited experience challenge the judgment of experienced family doctors."

# Spurned mistress describes killing

A woman sobbed yesterday as she described to a murder trial jury at the Central Criminal Court how she killed her aging millionaire lover with a champagne bottle after he taunted her about her sexuality and said he was rejecting her for a younger mistress.

Mrs Pamela Megginson, aged 61, is accused of murdering Mr Alec Hubbers, aged 79, a furniture company director, with whom she lives at his home in The Bishops Avenue, Hampstead, London.

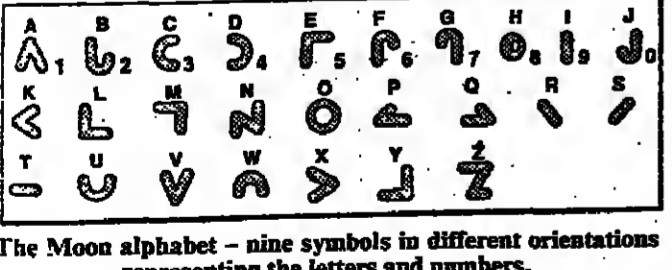
She discovered that Mr Hubbers had a new, younger mistress, Madame Nicole Arnaud from Monaco, and had arranged to sell Madame Arnaud his flat at Cap Ferrat in the South of France. Last October, Mr Hubbers took Mrs Megginson back to Cap Ferrat where he told her that he was in love with Madame Arnaud. "He

# Boys' invention solves problem for blind

A new machine to help the blind and partially sighted to read and write has been invented by three pupils at Sevenoaks School in Kent, using a system of symbols devised in 1847. It could be in production next year and the three young inventors hope it will cost no more than an ordinary typewriter.

Yesterday Chris Berry, aged 16, and Neil Darracott, and Jon Harlow, both 17, were in London to receive a £500 award for having solved a problem that has defeated their elders for well over a century: how to adapt Dr William Moon's system of embossed writing, using an alphabet of only nine characters, so that virtually anyone, blind or sighted, can write it.

Up to now, the only way to write in Moon, which is considerably simpler than Braille, has been to use a special embossing press.



The Moon alphabet - nine letters in different orientations representing the letters and numbers.

# Fugitive's bail backers lose £90,000

Four people were ordered yesterday to forfeit a total of £90,000 in bail they put up for an American, facing pornography smuggling charges, who fled from London in New York last month. The Recorder of London, Sir James Miskin, QC sitting at the Central Criminal Court, said he would not order the four sureties to forfeit all the £150,000 they had put up because they had not had been negligent. The American, Scott Dorman, aged 33, described as a book distributor, had behaved abominably, he said.

# Businessmen give B-Cal top airline award

British Caledonian has displaced British Airways as the British businessmen's favourite airline - despite BA's publicity campaign to the contrary - according to a survey among readers of the magazine Executive Travel. Swissair came third. For domestic flights, British Midland, the "friendly independent" which is challenging BA's Shuttle routes was voted best, followed by British Caledonian and British Airways. The state airline came top in the transatlantic category for the second successive year however. The airlines preferred by readers of Executive Travel, who make a combined total of 500,000 trips a year are as follows (last year's winners in brackets): World's best airline: 1 B-Cal (BA),

# Portraits of the artists making monumental decisions



Members of the Society of Portrait Sculptors making their selections for an exhibition in the Mall Gallery, London, which will run from October 17 to 22. Right: One of the judges, Miss Freda Skinner, deliberating. (Photographs: John Voos).

# Teenagers 'embarrassed by trendy parents'

Parents and teachers should be firm with adolescents and not attempt to copy their dress or behaviour, Dr Martyn Gay, a consultant psychiatrist from Bristol, told the Headmasters Conference yesterday. Addressing its annual meeting in Cambridge, he said he was worried by parents and other adults who tried to imitate the behaviour of teenagers. "In some schools you cannot see the difference between teachers and taught in dress, behaviour or anything else," he said. "I am sure there are adolescents who are very embarrassed frequently by the behaviour of their parents. It is necessary to have a generation boundary between adolescents and adults."

# Store sued for arrest

Miss Doris White, aged 72, yesterday began a rare legal action against a department store that called her a thief. She is suing W. P. Brown of York, which wrongly accused her of stealing a Christmas card and subjected her to a "humiliating" interrogation. She is alleging false imprisonment and wrongful arrest. The hearing at York County Court is believed to be the first of its kind for more than 40 years to involve a jury in a civil law suit. Miss White, of Hampden Street York, is claiming £3,000 damages from the family firm. Miss White said after her Christmas shopping in December, 1981, she was followed by a store manager who had told her that a customer saw her taking a card from the display and putting it into her shopping bag. The police later discovered she had not bought or stolen anything from the store in Davygate, York. The manager caught up with her in the office of a local newspaper. She told the jury that the man snatched her shopping bag. Miss White was taken back to the store and made to sit in a cubicle in full view of shoppers for 20 minutes. The hearing continues today.

# Scots defy terrors of high-tech

Techno-fear is twice as prevalent in the South of England as in Scotland, and is more common among women than men. But it is treatable, according to the advertising agency Taylor Nelson and Associates. For the uninitiated, techno-fear, or its milder form, techno-resistance, is defined as "difficulties in accepting and using high-technology products in the home".

According to the Taylor Nelson survey, on behalf of Rumbelows, the electrical shop chain, only 22 per cent of Scots feel that high technology has passed them by, while this figure rose to 35 per cent in the English North and Midlands, and 44 per cent in the South and West.

Although 74 per cent of respondents felt high-technology products were "a welcome addition to everyday life", 34 per cent were "just not interested, and don't have any use for them". These contradictory findings were interpreted by the experts as reflecting a general view that high-tech was a good thing, but insufficiently understood.

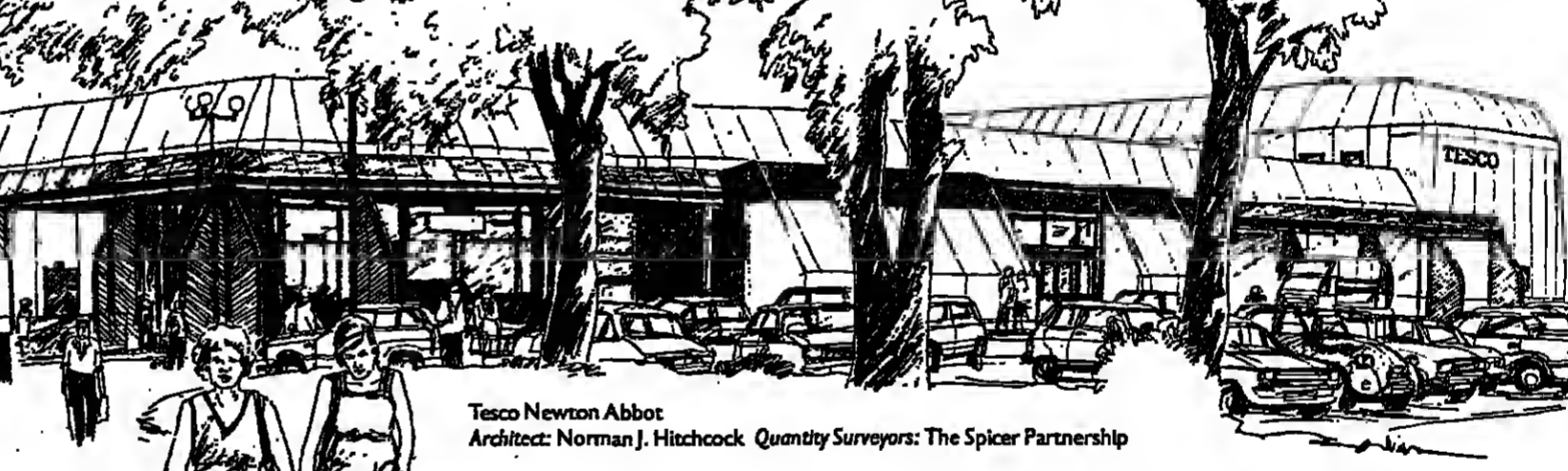
Women, whose favourite high-tech ideal was a robot ironing machine, suffered more from techno-fear than men, whose ideal was a video-phone, Dr Liz Nelson, who introduced the survey at a London press conference yesterday, said that could be because women were more ready to admit their weakness.

Suggested treatment for techno-fear ranged from clearer instructions and easier layout of controls to more helpful shop staff and a willingness to allow customers to browse and test products.

**China export**  
The BBC Microcomputer, which is to be launched early next month in the United States, could soon be on sale in China, if tests about to be conducted by potential buyers prove successful (our Electronics Correspondent writes).

The attack on the Chinese market, in which Sir Clive Sinclair is also interested, is to be led by Wang Electronics, a Hongkong company which has just been awarded a \$45m contract to manufacture BBC Microcomputers for the US market.

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Mrs Patel with (from left) Sanjesh, Diptesh and Jayesh yesterday (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

### Expelled sons reunited with mother

Three Indian boys, expelled from Britain four years ago amid publicity, were finally reunited with their mother at Heathrow airport, London, yesterday. Jayesh, aged 20, Sanjesh, aged 17, and Diptesh, aged 14, have been granted the right to settle in the United Kingdom with their mother, Mrs Manjula Patel, aged 43, who is divorced, after a four-year battle against the immigration procedures that has cost her several thousand pounds. Mrs Patel, of Gillingham, Kent, who works in a food factory, said: "I am so happy that my children are back home. For the past four years the boys have lived in terrible conditions in India in a dirty place with six or seven people in one room. The Home Office should have recognized in the first place that I was telling the truth. They could have given me my children very easily a long time ago."

### Accountant stole £372,000

From Our Correspondent Manchester An accountant who earned only £5,000 a year lived a life of luxury on the £372,000 he stole from his employers who ran a chain of supermarkets. Over a period of four years Alan Broadbent, aged 43, spent lavishly on cars, clothes, jewelry, fur coats and an extension to his detached home. But at Manchester Crown Court yesterday Judge Booth jailed him for three and a half years. "There can be no excuse for this," the judge told Broadbent, of Springfield Farm, Cockerhill Lane, Royton, Lancashire. Broadbent, who was not a qualified accountant, had admitted charges of forgery, false accounting and theft. He asked for 285 other offences to be considered while working for W. S. Wragg & Son (Grocers) Ltd. Mr Stephen Meadowcroft, for the prosecution, said Broadbent was the firm's accountant for eight years.

### Robots boost new Ford challenge

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent Ford has spent £30m on robots and other automated machines in its British factories in an attempt to reduce the cost of producing the new Orion and Fiesta models to the level achieved by its continental plants. Both cars go on sale on Friday. Production of the Orion, an enlarged version of the Escort but with a boot, which Ford hopes will recapture lost Corina sales, began at Halewood last week. Since 1979 Ford has spent more than £250m on the Merseyside plant, usually accompanied by dire warnings about its future unless productivity improved dramatically. Some progress has been made, but Halewood's Escorts still cost appreciably more to produce than those from Ford, Cologne. A large proportion of the latest investment went on 14 robot spot welders and electronically-controlled mechanical handling systems which the Escort will share with the Orion. Mr Ted Raymont, Halewood operations manager, said yesterday: "By the end of 1983 we shall have 102 robots at Halewood, making our plant one of the most modern of its type in Europe."

### BBC chief dismisses cable fear

By Kenneth Gosling Fears that the advent of cable television will diminish some of his most pitiless attacks on modern society. A part of his last book Duluth was written here. So far he has spared Italy. "I can just see," Italo Calvino, the Italian writer, said at the Ravello ceremony, "the forces of his marvellous imagination hurt themselves on the public and private image of Italian society like the woman police in Duluth throwing themselves into the hunt for unfortunate illegal Mexican aliens and obliging them to perform salacious strip teases in pages of cruelty and richness of invention which can take their place in the tradition of black humour from Swift to today."

### Town planning today: 3 Case against ministers as judge and jury

The most damaging complaint about the planning system is that it fails to help those who need its protection most. That complaint has been made at three of the largest and most complicated planning inquiries held in Britain this year. Some people no longer trust the planning system. In the last of three articles, HUGH CLAYTON, Environment Correspondent, outlines the suspicion that surrounds that system and explains its damaging effect. resources could never match those available to the Central Electricity Generating Board, which wanted to build the station. They felt that the system was loaded against them from the start, however fair and open the inquiry hearings might be as a debate. They feared that the inquiry could never be a contest of equals. They had to raise money to cover the cost of making a detailed technical case against the station. Their finance came from jumble sales and their own pockets, while their opponents in the board could draw from an apparently bottomless public chest. Opponents of the third London airport at Stansted in Essex were similarly aggrieved. They had to scrape together from private funds the cost of fighting the airport plan. Their opponents in the British Airports Authority, again using public funds, were able to field a large team of lawyers not only to plead for Stansted, but also to oppose the alternative expansion of Heathrow. The arguments were not simply about finding the costs of long attendance at planning inquiries. They were about the ability of individuals who feel threatened by development to have a fair chance of fending it off. Large projects put forward by public authorities can affect the lives of thousands of people. Some of those affected suspect that they have no chance, and that public inquiries are a sham designed to disguise the fact that serious decision-making takes place away from the public eye. They fear that if somebody wants to build an airport or an oil terminal or an industrial estate or a motorway behind their homes, there is little that they can do about it. Friends of the Earth has taken the suspicion a stage further in its opposition to the extension of the M40 for more than 40 miles from Oxford to the outskirts of Birmingham. It has boycotted the public inquiry into the motorway, claiming that the planning system offends against natural justice. Ministers decide where they want to build a motorway. They then arrange for a public inquiry to be held before an independent inspector who makes a report in which he recommends whether the motorway should be built. The final decision rests entirely with the ministers who proposed the thing in the first place.

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## Mugabe supporters chant anti-British songs and call for whites to go

Harare (AFP) - Supporters of Mr Robert Mugabe, the Zimbabwean Prime Minister, marched through the streets of Harare yesterday, denouncing Britain and calling for whites to leave Zimbabwe. The demonstration followed Mugabe's attack on the Thatcher Government at the weekend. About 1,000 members of the ruling Zimbabwe African National Union (Zanu), carrying anti-British placards, massed in front of the building housing the British High Commission and chanted: "Let them (whites) go". Most of Zimbabwe's 140,000 whites are of British extraction. A small group of demonstrators climbed the stairs to the sixth floor where the British Mission is located, singing anti-Thatcher songs. Officials from the High Commission heard what a High Commission spokesman called a "brief, informal" meeting with the demonstrators. The demonstrators left the building and the crowd moved off peacefully after about 15 minutes. But youths on the fringes of the crowd threatened white reporters, saying "British go home."

## A fury abroad The Gore Vidal phenomenon

From Peter Nichols, Ravello It takes a sort of courage on the part of a gentle little Italian writer, to be the first to review a book by Gore Vidal, who this week received the honorary citizenship of Ravello. The American author lives much of the year here and it is in this soft, exquisite inebriated background of the Amalfi peninsula that he has written some of his most pitiless attacks on modern society. A part of his last book Duluth was written here. So far he has spared Italy. "I can just see," Italo Calvino, the Italian writer, said at the Ravello ceremony, "the forces of his marvellous imagination hurt themselves on the public and private image of Italian society like the woman police in Duluth throwing themselves into the hunt for unfortunate illegal Mexican aliens and obliging them to perform salacious strip teases in pages of cruelty and richness of invention which can take their place in the tradition of black humour from Swift to today."



Gore Vidal: "Britain is nothing any more. It belongs nowhere. Going there is like going to Oslo..."

## Dinner at Maxim's for China's high society

From David Bonavia Peking 1980 after a seven-year guerrilla war. The demonstrators, the bulk of them members of the Zanu Women's League and in traditional shifts and headscarves, formed up outside a party office and marched through Harare's main shopping streets as white and black office workers hung out of windows to watch. They carried signs proclaiming: "British passport holders go home"; "Thatcher, we want our airports back, swine"; "No reconciliation with imperialism"; "Stop pensions to former rebels"; and "Nationalize all settler farms now". At his press conference, Mr Mugabe had suggested that if Britain persisted with what he called interference, his Government might default on its pledges to pay pensions for civil servants and many men who served under the Rhodesian regime and to pay for all white farmland taken over to resettle black peasants.

## Soviet sub intrusion confirmed

From Christopher Mosley Stockholm The Swedish Navy yesterday disclosed more evidence to support its allegations that the Soviet Union had continually violated Swedish waters since 1981 when a Russian Whiskey-class submarine ran aground off the south-coast naval base of Karlskrona. Admiral Bror Stenfon, the Defence Chief of Staff, said that naval experts who had examined the vessel during its enforced stay in Swedish waters had identified imprints left on the sea bed outside the east-coast naval base off Musko last year as coming from another Whiskey-class submarine. He said that film taken from the sea bed in the Stockholm archipelago a month later, had shown similar imprints. None of this information was made public in April when Sweden blamed the Soviet Union for the Musko incident. The decision to release the evidence now reflects a deepening rift in the Swedish Government over the submarine incidents. The Defence Ministry is anxious to combat what it sees as a campaign by the Foreign Ministry to play down the Soviet incursions.

## Zhao reiterates hope to visit America

Peking (Reuters, AP) Mr Zhao Ziyang, the Chinese Premier, yesterday confirmed his intention of visiting the United States and reiterated the invitation for President Reagan to visit China. Speaking before meeting the US Defence Secretary, Mr Casper Weinberger, Mr Zhao said: "There has been a trend for the better in Sino-US relations recently and I think this is something we welcome." He said an exchange of visits would be made next spring, but further discussions were needed to set the date, including discussions with Mr Weinberger. His statement was further confirmation of signs of a limited thaw in Sino-US relations in the past three months after a period of extreme tension over American arms sales to Taiwan. Mr Zhao made it clear that serious differences remained. "I take it that you all know very clearly that the main obstacle in developing Sino-US relations is the question of Taiwan," he emphasized. "Only when the question of Taiwan is solved will there be also a development of Sino-US relations." China considers the continuing US arms sales to Taiwan a flagrant breach of its sovereignty over the nationalist island. Referring to Mr Weinberger's offer to consider sales of defensive weapons to Peking, Mr Zhao said China would rely on its own efforts to modernize its huge outdated military machine. "It is inconceivable for a big nation like China to bring about the modernization of its national defence by buying military equipment from foreign countries," he said. However, when asked if he would buy any US weapons, he said: "If the US side is willing to sell military equipment to China, if we have the need and the ability to buy the military equipment from the US, I would not exclude such a possibility." Yesterday Mr Weinberger visited a peasant infantry division which grows cabbages on the target range and drills in guerrilla tactics. He was taken to the No 1 division of the Peking Garrison for half an hour to watch hand-to-hand combat drills and target practice with rifles, mortars and machine-guns. He ends his visit to Peking today after meeting Mr Deng Xiaoping, the Chinese leader, and flying to Xi'an in the north-west.

## £10m aid on the way to Mauritius

By Our Diplomatic Correspondent Mr Alex Fletcher, Under Secretary of the Department of Trade and Industry, announced tonight that Mauritius is to give the final word on a £10m aid package for the island's new coalition government. His visit follows talks in London between Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr Anil Gayan, Mauritian Minister for External Affairs who passed through London at the weekend on his way to the UN General Assembly. Unemployment in Mauritius, where 70,000 are without work in a population of one million, is among the highest in the world, despite the export of skilled manpower to Zimbabwe, the Seychelles and the Gulf States. More than a third of the budget has to be spent on servicing the foreign debt, which restricts attempts to create more jobs by public spending. Overdependence on sugar exports which earn up to 85 per cent of the country's foreign exchange, is among the problems facing Mr Anerood Jugnauth's centre-left government after last month's election. In an interview with The Times Mr Gayan said that part of the reason for his London stopover was to look at a promotion scheme to expand tourism

## Secret killings in Iran jails

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent Fresh evidence that political prisoners are being secretly killed in Iranian jails is presented by Amnesty International today. Extensive interviews with people who have been released confirm Amnesty's fears that the number executed since the 1979 revolution is far higher than the 5,000-plus admitted by the Tehran government. They also corroborate previous reports that most of those killed were tortured first, and were not given a fair trial before being convicted by the courts. Prisoners' tales refer to nightly executions at Evin jail in Tehran, with 497 being shot one night behind Block 3; the official announcement listed only 33. One former inmate said: "It is continuous firing then you know it could be only mock executions. But if you hear single shots at the end you know it is a real one... Generally between 30 and 60 shots can be counted in a day, but there is no regular pattern." Whipping was the most common form of torture, the whips consisting of woven leather, electric cables, hoses and a flexible wooden strip bound with wire. Reports from Block 4 at Evin describe uncooperative male prisoners being tied down and repeatedly thrashed across the testicles. Three of every ten men punished in this way are said to have died. Two children aged 11, a girl at Isfahan and a boy from near Shiraz, are among those said to have been executed, along with a number of pregnant women. In a letter to Ayatollah Khomeini, Amnesty has offered to send a delegation to Tehran to present its evidence to the

## Jobs boost for Sagunto

From a Correspondent, Madrid from the Government's industrial restructuring plans to phase out the Sagunto steelworks, to the prospect of alternative employment. The new jobs are to be provided by the establishment of a small fertilizer plant, auxiliary car industry, and joint ventures between the State and a foreign company in food and textile industry.

## Refugee exodus changing flow

Geneva (Reuters) - Vietnamese refugees leaving under the orderly-departure programme, outnumbered last month for the first time the boat people arriving overseas. The orderly-departure programme agreed with the Vietnamese Government in 1981, accounted for more than 10,000 people in the first eight months of this year.

Lebanon's fragile ceasefire

Syria resolved to break Israel pact

From Robert Hill, Damascus
disappeared now that pro-Syrian Lebanese politicians are to be included in the conference for national reconciliation in Lebanon.

being taken on Syrian army lorries through the central Lebanese town of Chouf, all the roads between the town and the Chouf mountains.

With almost all the Palestinian forces in Lebanon now under their control, the Syrians can apply further pressure on Mr Gemayel during the proposed reconciliation talks.



Playtime: Two United States Marines enjoying a break from the fighting with a game of Monopoly as the ceasefire holds

Warders cleared of murder

From Michael Horvath, Johannesburg
Eight South African prison warders were yesterday cleared of the murder of three of their black prisoners last December, but six of them, four whites and two blacks, were found guilty on various charges of assault.

Athens keeps ban on Beirut forces

From Mario Modiano, Athens
Greece hailed the Lebanon ceasefire yesterday but adhered to its decision to bar the use of Greek facilities for the transfer of troops or military equipment to that country.

Colonel Roberts taken to hospital

Lieutenant-Colonel David Roberts, who was relieved of command of Britain's peace-keeping force in Lebanon and flown to Cyprus suffering from exhaustion, has been admitted to the Cambridge Military Hospital in Aldershot, it was disclosed yesterday.

EEC plays down Greek rift at UN

From Zuzanna Pysariwsky, New York
Greece last night provided the United Nations General Assembly with the EEC view of the world as Community members sought to play down the seriousness of the Greek Government's frequent insistence on deviating from the common EEC foreign policy line.

Ex-Rumasa head called a rebel

From a Correspondent, Madrid
Señor José María Ruiz Mateos, the President of Rumasa, Spain's biggest private holding company that was nationalized in February was declared by the Madrid criminal court to be in a state of "legal rebellion".

Immigrant speed-up promised

Dhaka (Reuters) - Britain is stepping up immigration clearance for Bangladeshis who are waiting to join relatives there, Mr David Waddington, Minister of State at the Home Office, said yesterday.

S Africans can survive oil boycott

George, South Africa (Reuters) - South Africa could withstand and survive a total boycott on oil supplies, according to Mr P. W. Botha, the Prime Minister.

Blanco leader fasts in jail

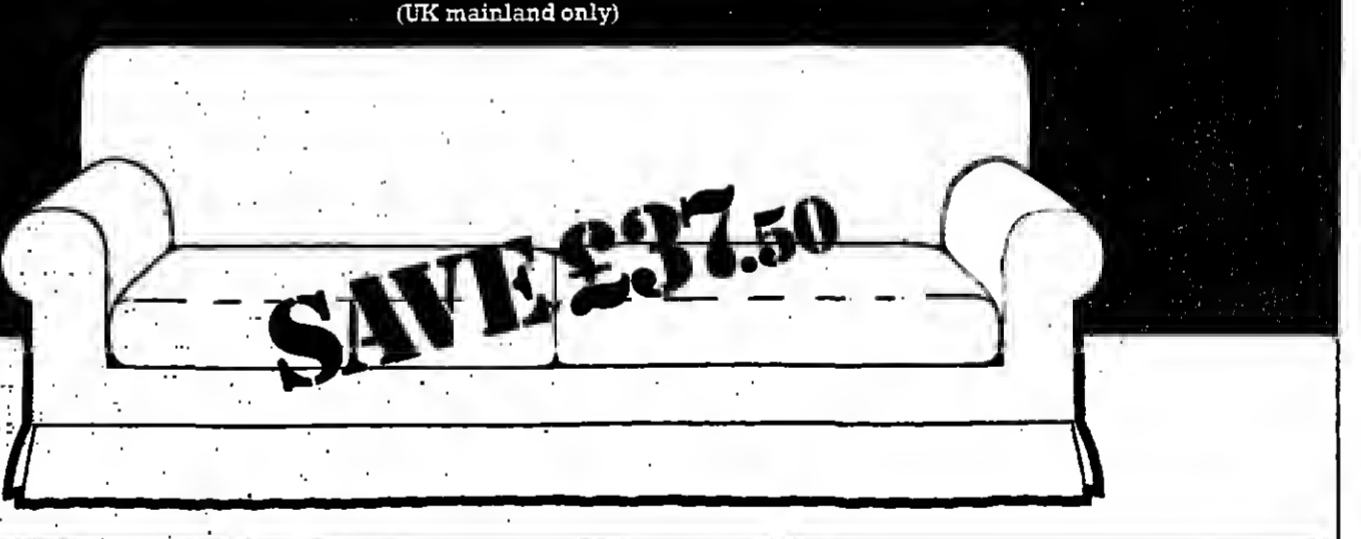
Montevideo (Reuters) - Señor Eladio Fernández Menéndez, a leading Uruguayan politician, arrested and held incommunicado in connection with a day of protest against the military Government, has gone on hunger strike, according to his relatives.

Kim protest

Seoul (AFP) - A group of 24 South Korean opposition politicians led by Mr Kim Young-Sam, have launched a democracy campaign with the primary objective of obtaining a constitutional amendment allowing South Koreans to directly and freely elect the country's president.

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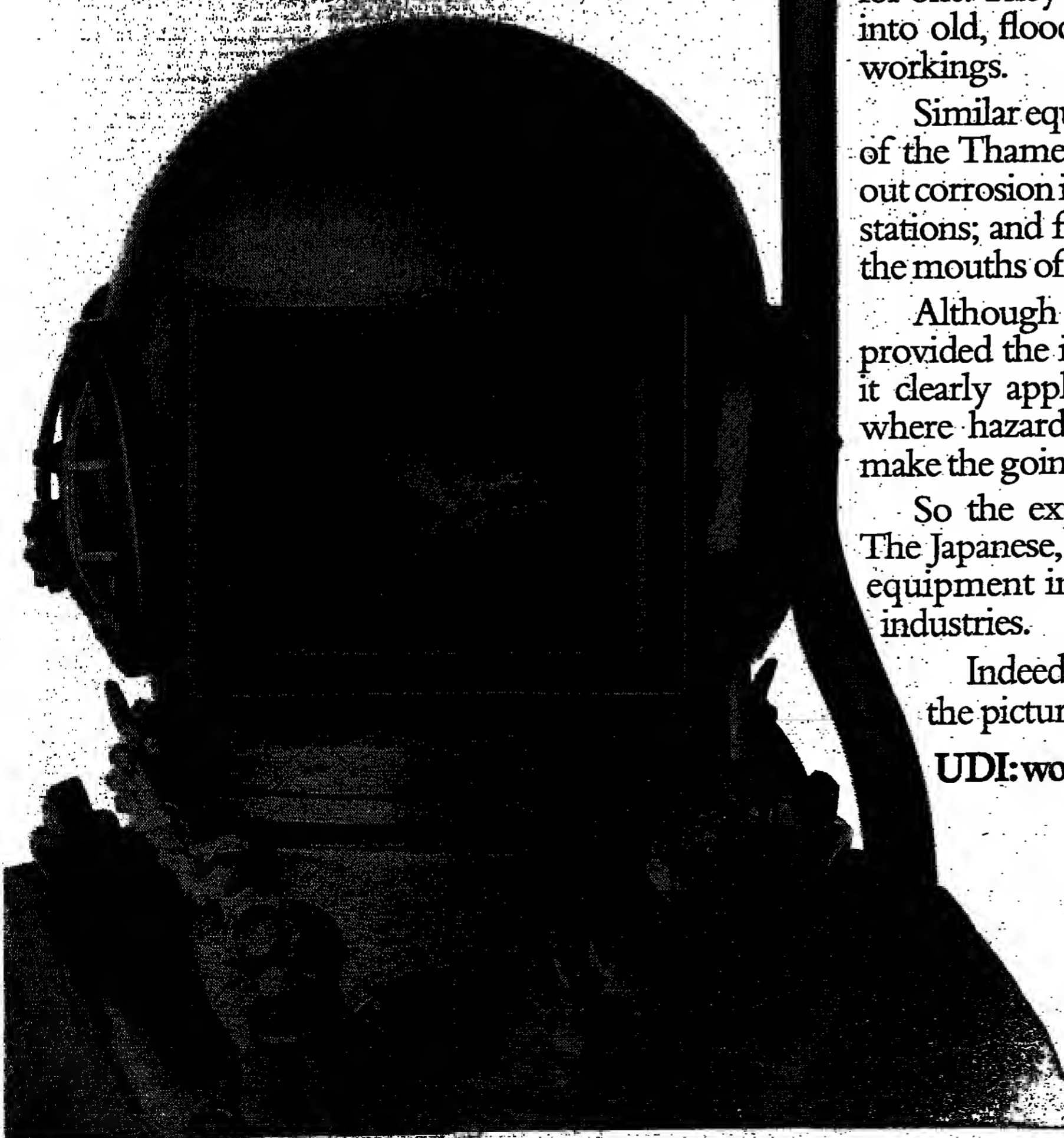
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Growing pains

When the "Plant a Tree in '73" campaign was launched in an attempt to repair the ravages of Dutch elm disease...

At £1 a tree, the investment is staggering, as is the loss. Many have succumbed to drought says Lisney, especially during the three very hot summers since Plant a Tree started.

Recent Forestry Commission figures suggest that as many as 10 per cent of all plants, in any case, are already desiccated and effectively doomed when they arrive on site.

Doney's bouquet

An anonymous Swiss hopes to sell a bouquet of South African wine for more than £300 at Sotheby's today.

CBS has just announced a world premier screening of Schubert's "The Great" Constantine of 1793.

Running buffet

The story of the Sharrow Bay Hotel at Penrhin in Cumbria seems to be rather fascinating, says the English tourist Board.

Where's the Rub?

The next issue of the Spectator is to carry a note on its letters page differentiating between Michael Rubenstein, whose letter in this week's issue deplores the "continuing failure" of all concerned in the Literary Review's publication of that article by Reuel Dahl...

Unthink tank

The peace-loving London Borough of Lewisham plans to dismantle a tank-shaped climbing frame in a playground in Folkestone Gardens.

The Duke of Edinburgh

The Duke of Edinburgh has written to Noburu Hamada, president of the Japan Marine Machinery Development Association...

So easy to stop the Labour levy

by Michael Ivens

Public expressions of guilt by trade union officials are rare. It is no coincidence that they occur tomorrow, just as the TUC is to meet Mr Norman Tebbit to discuss the political levy.

Since 1947, union members in England, Scotland and Wales have had to opt out rather than opt in to a paying political levy to the Labour Party.

The present position of trade unionists on the political levy can be summed up by a survey carried out by National Opinion Polls for Aims of Industry.

Some trade unions, of course, are better than others in making it easy for their members to opt out.

Bleachers and Textile Workers getting 100 per cent of contributors to the political fund in 1979?

Or in 1981 the TGWU achieving 98 per cent, the NUR 97 per cent and Aslef 94 per cent?

There is a strong case, then, for changing from opting out to indicating positively your support for Labour by opting in.

These days many employers collect the union dues under so-called "sweetheart" agreements with unions. Very often the union will ask the employer to collect the political levy as well.

How all this works in practice can be seen from the case of the brave Mr Jack Cleminson who year in, year out, asked the Post Office and Engineering Union for the political levy which the Post Office had knocked off his wages.

Cleminson also handed opt-out forms to his colleagues - and was threatened that he would lose his job by trade union representatives.

That gentleman produced a curious ruling. The union, he said, had to pay money in advance for the money deducted by the Post Office from Mr Cleminson's wages.

Trade unions and guilty employers sometimes argue that in these days of the computer, it is too expensive or difficult to take into account political levy exceptions.

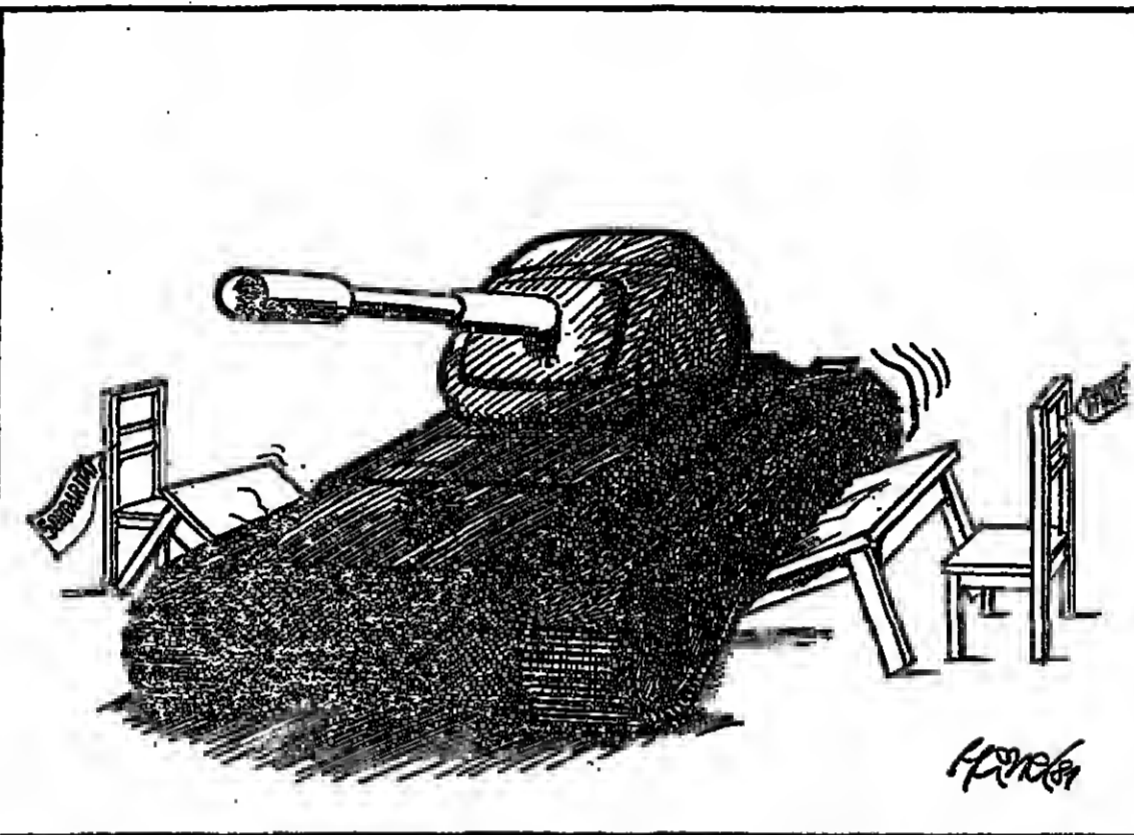
The solution is simple. The law should make it illegal for employers to deduct the levy if trade unionists have stated they do not want to pay it.

The author is director of Aims of Industry.

Two months after martial law's end, Roger Boyes assesses the army's new role

Poland's army: still no political retreat

Warsaw In the gloom and muggy warmth of a Warsaw underpass, near the flower-sellers and the wizened women offering strings of garlic...



Dialogue ended reproduced from the Kölner Stadtanzeiger

Very soon, probably in a matter of weeks, General Jaruzelski, the country's leader, is expected to resign as Minister of Defence.

Thousands of party apparatchiks were dislodged. The role of the army was to control the pace of change so that it would not seem threatening.

But now two months have gone by since the lifting of martial law and it is becoming clear that the army is not just an instrument of transition.

This raises some important questions about the significance of armies in communist societies.

now every soldier should be an economic and social activist - former commissars should maintain permanent contact at offices or factories where they have worked.

This then is the new military role in Poland: the soldier is a political activist, for only the army can boast the monolithic party structure that should (in the ideal Marxist world) be the case throughout Polish political society.

Sitting at their desks, unfurled by the ending of martial law, three generals hold down crucial ministerial posts - the Interior Ministry (Czeslaw Kiszczyk), Local Administration (Wlodzimierz Oljwa) and Mining (Czeslaw Piotrowski).

And, perhaps even most important, army officers control two of the most decisive sections of the Communist Party central committee - the personnel department and international relations.

participation in the Party may not make communism more popular but it should make it more effective. The problems are large, but they lurk, like icebergs, scarcely visible on the surface.

The emphasis on defence may well lead to a redefinition of the army's political role. The officers involved in running the country at the moment are mainly from a political background.

None of this means that the army has ousted the party; rather, one of the most active and trustworthy parts of the party has taken up a stronger leadership role.

Conner, alone with America's sunken pride

Newport, Rhode Island Around here it is rather as if Everest had been bought by a Japanese camera company. The belated public sportsmanship being exhibited by the slick, socially exclusive New York Yacht Club...

When Conner, the 1980 champion in Freedom against Bond's 3-1 lead, the crackling shoreward radios out on Rhode Island Sound picked up the talk between NYCC Commodores Robert Stone and Bob McCulloch, and their helmsman.

There on her towing launch, Black Swan, was the red-jacketed Conner, with a fixed, empty good loser's smile gazing up at the myriad of frenzied Australian faces.

Richard Thursby, a NYCC member, has said: "There won't be more than a couple of days' mourning before we start thinking about how to win the damned thing back."

When Conner finally got into the water against Lexcen's Lightning, as it is known, he was raw to the exceptional qualities which Victory '83 and the others had long since discovered.

the bar with its red leather chairs and portraits of boats and skippers of long ago. The club has no television: it is that kind of club. No one knows what they thought as Liberty's lead disappeared by the start of the final leg.

Back in New York, where the club was formed in 1844, and settled into its present mansion in 1901, those members not in Newport had been listening to a radio commentary in

Jock Bruce-Gardyne Here's health, the French way

Eighteen months ago I had to go into hospital for a minor operation. First I was inspected by a consultant who discussed the nature of my responsibilities at the Treasury and then handed me over to two young housemen.

I went into hospital - as an NHS patient, I hastily add for three days. The treatment was excellent, and entirely successful.

So I find it difficult to swallow the reports of the desecration being perpetrated on the NHS by flint-hearted Norman Fowler.

Certainly cuts such as the closure of 20 per cent of the beds of the Department of Paediatrics at Guy's should be avoided, but such issues skirt the problem of over-manning in the Health Service.

It is true that an aging population and a longer life expectancy make extra demands on the NHS. It is also true that more people are needed, from GPs to cleaners, to provide the same level of service as the hours of work have shrunk.

The author was Economic Secretary to the Treasury in Mrs Thatcher's last government.

people to use private medicine is to debate the English language. On the other hand, I can see nothing remotely improper about the contemplation and discussion of long-term changes in the way we pay for health.

I have never been convinced by the arguments of those who would have us follow the US example and rely on private medical insurance with a safety-net. The evidence of the capacity of the medical and legal professions to rip off such a system is really too impressive to be dismissed.

But the American system is not the only alternative. In France, health care is financed from compulsory insurance and topped up from taxes, much as it is in Britain.

There are plenty of pitiable administrative costs are higher, since the sheep who can be expected to meet the initial charge until they can reclaim it have to be sorted from the goats who cannot.

James Curran

Puppet state and a Westminster MP

Sir Peter Emery, MP for Honiton, who was knighted for distinguished political services last year, has pursued a career not entirely free of controversy.

There is nothing particularly unusual in MPs having business interests and nothing particularly unusual about work in public relations, advertising and oil wheels.

At first sight, Bophuthatswana would seem a laudable as well as a profitable cause to promote. Its record on human rights, unlike that of the other Bantustans, is good.

But Bophuthatswana, like the other Bantustans, is the means by which the South African government virtually all parts of the country which have mineral resources, good farming land or expensive economic activity.

on Pretoria, and 55 per cent of its labour force works in what are officially white areas.

Like other homelands, Bophuthatswana is an impoverished reservation, providing cheap labour for white-controlled industry and a dumping ground for the very young, aged and sick who are not wanted in "white" South Africa.

The Bantustans are also a crucial part of the South African government's future programme for gaining international acceptance. The intention is to create 10 independent black states which will eventually enter into a confederation with "white" South Africa.

Yet a solid block of Tory party opinion implacably opposes apartheid

African government hopes to ensure that assistance to white dominions will develop in the form of a struggle between blacks.

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# Hopes fly high as the big boys pull out

by Arthur Reed

Britain's regional airports, the traditional loss-makers of the domestic aviation business, look set for a better future as the pattern of air travel within the United Kingdom changes radically.

Two major trends are already having an impact. Deregulatory policies of this and the previous Conservative Governments have resulted in a new generation of small airlines springing up, prepared to operate commuter services to towns and cities where none existed before. These airlines are also filling the vacuum left by British Airways as it has withdrawn from unprofitable routes as part of its retrenchment programme.

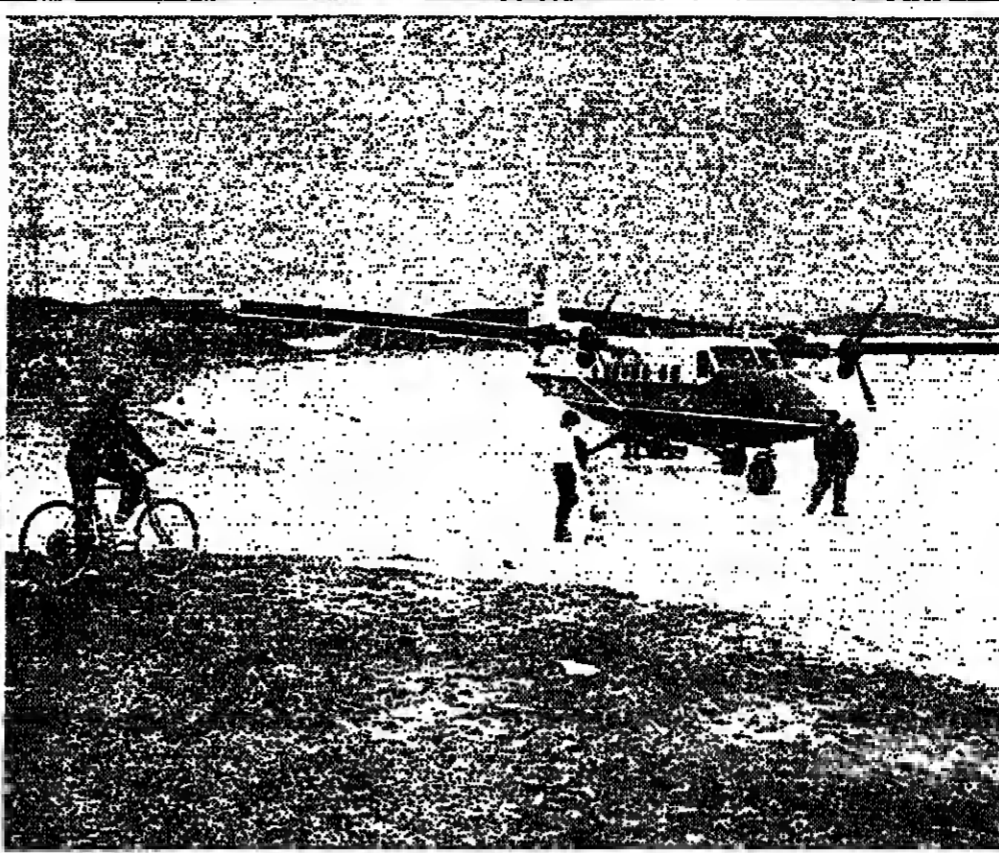
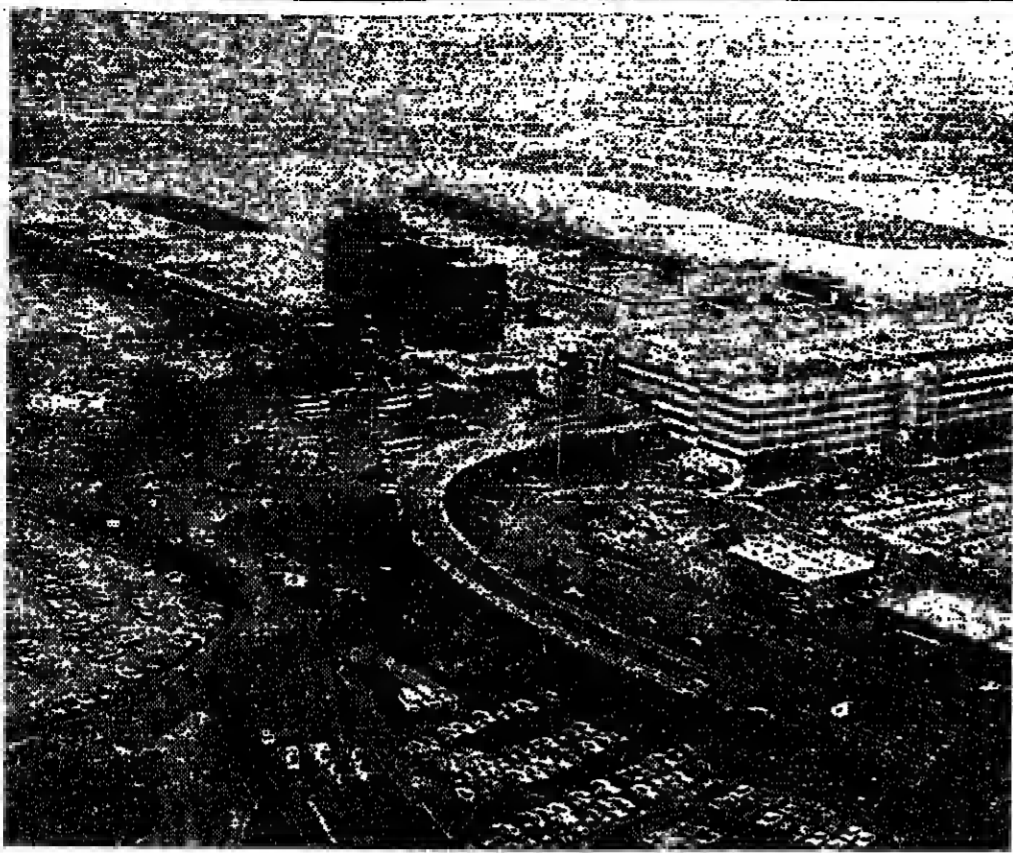
Secondly, the two main London airports, Heathrow and Gatwick, continue to move steadily towards saturation, and as the commuter airlines find it increasingly difficult to obtain take-off and landing "slots", they are inevitably looking to the regions to speed their needs.

Stansted, promoted by both Government and the British Airports Authority as the third London airport, lies virtually empty as the decision of the planning inspector who conducted the 18-month inquiry into its future is awaited. The outcome is of vital interest to the regionals, for if a decision to develop it to take up to 15m passengers a year is made, their future growth could be stunted with such a large amount of additional capacity thrown onto the national market.

But if British Airways' hopes for a fifth terminal at Heathrow are realized, with some modest increase in capacity at Stansted, the scope for growth by the regional airports during the years to the end of the century should know no bounds.

Those who run the airports in the provinces are watching two other impending decisions closely. Government plans to "privatize" the British Airports Authority, possibly selling off its seven airports - three serving London, the remainder in Scotland - could also have a serious impact on their future growth.

The Civil Aviation Authority, which at present operates a number of smaller airports in the country, while providing air traffic control and other technical services at others, is also undergoing Government scrutiny. The result of this could conceiv-



From the big city to the beach: Manchester Airport with its terminal and runway, and the more casual approach at Barra Beach Airport, in Scotland

been running the operation at Exeter for Devon County Council, lost the contract when it came up for renewal and from next year British Airports International takes over.

About £3m has been spent on the airport in recent years; the runway lengthened and strengthened, a new radar system installed and passenger facilities improved. Although loan charges are high, it operates profitably and once again companies running inclusive tours on the continent are crucial to its business.

Air UK operates the important Exeter-Gatwick link and flights to the Channel Islands. Brymon operates from Exeter to the Scillies.

Mr Bill Bryce, the chairman of Brymon Airways, is one of the best-known names in the west country and is becoming increasingly well-known throughout the

## Regional airports

ably be that the CAA will tend to concentrate in future on its main roles of licensing, providing national air traffic services, and overseeing safety and technical standards, so leaving other functions to be filled at the regional airports.

Conversations with regional airport managers, however many miles away from the capital their airports may be, inevitably turn to the subject of the London airports, whose superb technical facilities, and enviable range of air services to points throughout the world act as a magnet for passengers and freight from throughout the British Isles.

Regional managers see no reason why passengers living in, say, the north of England or southern Scotland should have to fly to Heathrow or Gatwick to pick up a service to the Far East, and there is a danger that without such services departing from regional centres, that such passengers will commute to a European centre, such as Amsterdam, Zurich, or Frankfurt, to board long-haul aircraft.

### Aggressive selling is the answer

But the regions also accept that none of the big world airlines are going to begin operations from local airports unless they can be satisfied that the traffic is there, and that passengers and cargo-shippers will not be directed to airports from which it is inconvenient for them to fly.

The answer to this problem, which has blighted the growth of the regional airports since the end to the Second World War may be more aggressive selling. Man-

chester International, with a new management team heavily oriented towards marketing, has been pursuing this path, and an indication of its success are regular jumbo flights of the Australian airline Qantas.

Run by two local authorities, Manchester International is the high success of the British regional airports scene, ploughing £5m profit back into the rates in the last financial year, but for many others the story is a far less happy one. According to the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, only nine of the 23 local-authority run airports were in surplus in the financial year 1981-82.

Overall, the municipal airports returned a profit of £2.1m for the year, but the bulk of this was contributed by four airports, Manchester, Birmingham, East Midlands, and Luton. CIPFA's forecast for 1983-84 is for an improvement, with a total surplus of £3.8m, although it now appears that only eight of the airports will be in surplus, and with losses in the case of Liverpool, and a total surplus of nearly £3m. Apart from Sumburgh, all eight Scottish airports run largely as social services by the Civil Aviation Authority are loss-makers, and the authority, under direction from Government, is trying to sell them off to the private sector. It is a trend which has already begun, in the West Country, with Plymouth airport now owned and

operated by Brymon Airways, one of the commuter airlines which are opening up new air travel business for regional airports throughout the country.

One of the great problems which has always held back the development of airports in the British provinces has been local pride: airports are operated, often at a large cost to the local ratepayers, in areas where none could be justified, and in many cases in the geographical shadow of another vying for the same passenger and freight markets.

Questions have also been raised as to the wisdom of allowing local authorities to operate what are highly-technical businesses with large budgets, especially since these airports have to compete for a share of the rates with sewage, cemeteries, and playing fields. But although the decisions on buying new radars, or terminal and runway extensions, may be slow in coming from council committees, and although airports compete with each other each year for Government approval of major schemes, there is no evidence to suggest that safety standards are compromised.

The Civil Aviation Authority keeps a tight watch on technical standards at every airport, whether it be Manchester International, or Barra, where landings are on the beach, and there are professional companies such as International Aeradio ready to provide under contract technical

services, from running fire services to managing entire airports.

In the past, it had been suggested that there should be a central body controlling the development of regional airports on a national basis, and that the British Airports Authority should take on this role. It is a suggestion which never found favour with the BAA, as that body pursued its remit from Government to be profitable. Today, free enterprise policies are beginning to dominate both the airports and airline sectors of British aviation, and this should lead, in the long term, to a leaner industry, and a better deal for the public for which it caters.

**The West**  
**Take-off for the holiday tours**

Mr Les Wilson has been the general manager of the Bristol airport for the last three crucial years in which a loss has been turned into a healthy profit. In spite of that success he believes

there are too many UK provincial airports and fears that as competition intensifies some will go to the wall.

Ian Cran, director of the Cardiff-Wales airport does not agree. He believes that no large centre of population can be without its own airport and is convinced of the role of local authorities in providing them. He also says the modern air traveller, businessman or holidaymaker, now expects such a local service.

Both airports, together with Exeter, owe much to the increasing desire of air travellers to fly abroad without having to waste a day going to Gatwick or Heathrow. So, for them, the growth of inclusive tour holidays by operators using regional airports has been a major boon.

All three of those airports are in the hands of local authorities, but the story of Plymouth airport is also that of Bill Bryce, an airlines entrepreneur still pushing his business from strength to strength.

The Cardiff-Wales airport has been owned and operated since 1974 by the three county councils of Glamorgan - mid, south and west. It is officially designated as the regional airport of South Wales and the South West.

In 1981-82 the councils were each called to contribute about £400,000 to the airport, but the figure is declining and the airport recovers about 90 per cent of its revenue costs.

The charter tour business is the airport's bread and butter and 85 per cent of the 400,000 passengers using Cardiff this year were on tours. Even so, scheduled services are substantial (Dan Air is the major carrier). The airport is particularly pleased about its link with Schiphol (Amsterdam) for world-wide connections and now also boasts a Toronto service.

Ian Cran said: "I am very confident about the future. People are fed up having to go through Gatwick or Heathrow. They want to fly from their local airport".

Bristol airport, operated by Bristol City Council, has turned a £122,000 loss in 1980-81 into a £200,000 profit in 1982-83. The annual turnover is about £6m.

Mr Wilson, the manager, is in no doubt that the charter tour business has been a major success. Two-thirds of last year's total of 303,000 passengers were "tour" customers; the remaining one-third on scheduled service, mainly domestic.

He believes the airport is vital for a major industrial and commercial centre such as Bristol in spite of exceptional road rail connections with London. Now he is planning keenly for the future.

"Our objective is to be the number one airport of the south west and we will be pressing the Government for regional status. That would help us to put up development plans, get planning permission and raise finance if we wanted to develop further," he said.

In the meantime the airport has announced a new scheduled service to Gatwick, starting in October. It makes Bristol the twenty-second British airport to link into Gatwick.

Exeter Airport Ltd., which has

### Plymouth is a success story

country. His is not the first company to try their hand at Plymouth airport. Others have failed over the years but by constant improvements to the facilities, a keen eye for worthwhile routes and sheer persistence Mr Bryce has built a success story.

His airline became the tenant of Plymouth airport in 1974 and in 1980 purchased it on a 125 year lease from the City council. Mr Bryce called it "controlling our own destiny", but the takeover meant Brymon was the only airline in the country to own and operate its own airport. It also operates the civil airport at Newquay (alongside RAF St Mawgan) for Restormel council.

In 1972, the airline carried a mere 2,500 passengers. This year it expects the figure to be about 250,000 - about 150,000 of them on its scheduled services to the Scillies, Channel Islands, Gatwick and Heathrow, Birmingham, Cork and Brittany. The remainder are carried on a contract with the Chevron Oil company linking Aberdeen with Unst, Britain's most northerly airport.

The airline uses two DHC Dash 7s for the Chevron contract and one more in Plymouth. The quiet aircraft with its STOL (short take off and landing) ability has been important to Brymon and earlier this year the company landed one in the heart of London's dockland, within sight of the City.

British Airways has operated a successful helicopter service from

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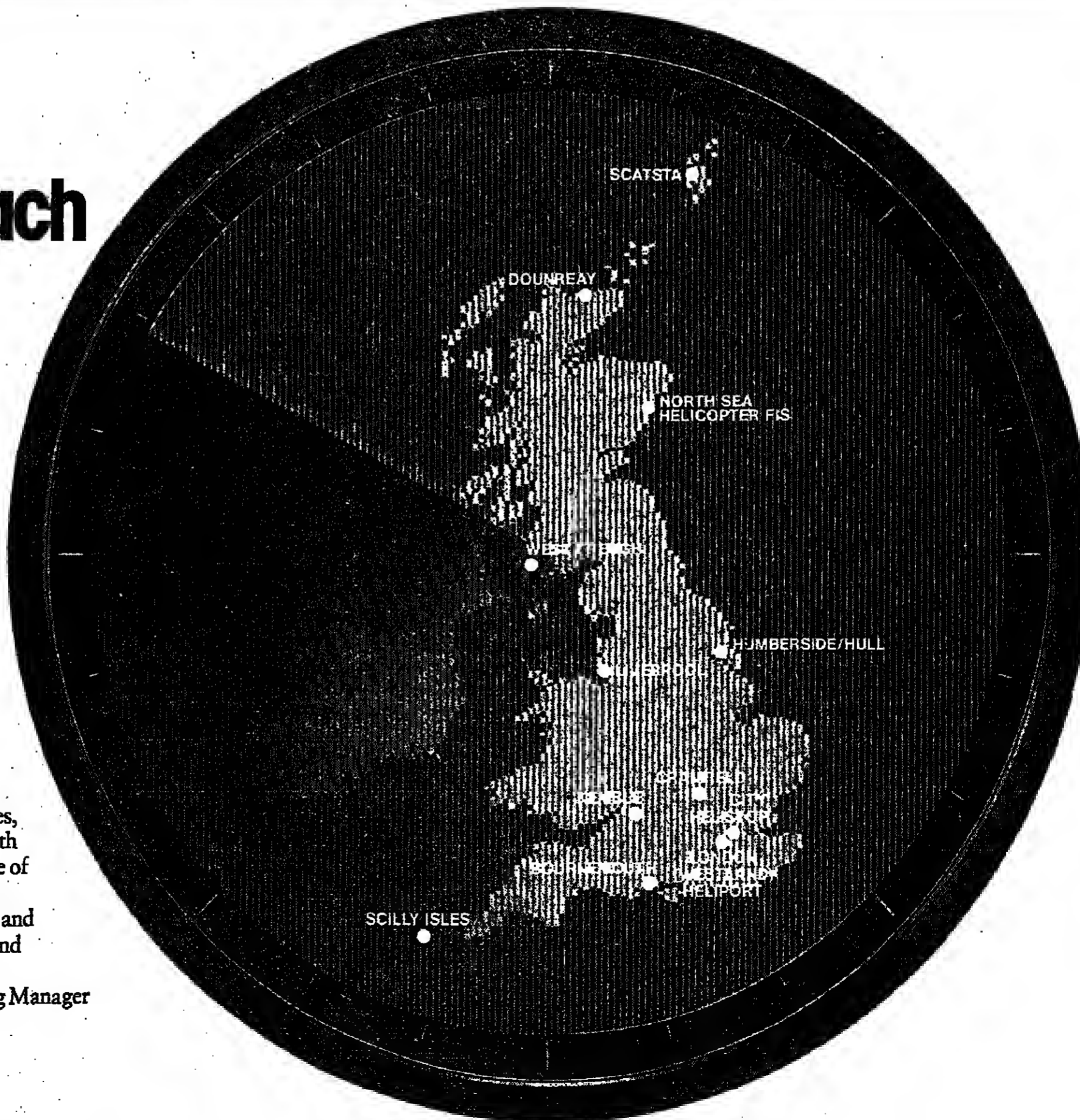
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# Scotland:

## Oil has put Aberdeen's heliport among the world's busiest, busier even than Houston

The oil industry has transformed airports in northern Scotland. Aberdeen, which was transferred to the British Airports Authority in 1975 on the threshold of the North Sea boom, underwent a multi-million pound expansion. A new terminal capable of handling more than one million passengers a year was completed and the old terminal adapted to handle British Caledonian helicopters and North Scottish helicopters. With the existing British Airways and British operations, the Aberdeen heliport now ranks among the busiest in the world, busier even than Houston, Texas.

Last year, the number of helicopter passengers increased by 40 per cent - more than twice the number of three years ago. Overall, Aberdeen handled a 7 per cent increase in passengers and made a trading profit of £591,000. Oil and related industry has also been behind the growth of international traffic into Aberdeen in addition to the healthy level of domestic flights. Even though the oil industry has moved from busy development into the steady production phase, air traffic is likely to remain heavy into the next century.

Against that dramatic success story must be set the sad miscalculations at Sumburgh in the Shetlands where the Civil Aviation Authority invested £30m in a new terminal to handle business at the beginning of the oil boom.

Sumburgh is no longer thronged with technicians and roustabouts transferring from fixed-wing aircraft to helicopter on their way to the oilfields in the East Shetland basin. Its business died with the introduction of more powerful helicopters able to fly from Aberdeen directly to the oil platforms and with the emergence of Scatsta airport near Sullom Voe in north Shetland as a centre for fixed-wing traffic.

Operators complained about the high landing charges Sumburgh levied to help pay for the new terminal. The figures of Sumburgh's decline make gloomy reading. The number of fixed-wing public aircraft using Sumburgh in June was nearly 50 per cent down from the previous year and helicopter traffic showed a similar contraction. Staff at the terminal have been reduced in numbers and all operations concentrated on the Wils Ness terminal, which is still far too large for the traffic.

### Unlikely to mothball the terminal

It is unlikely however that the CAA will cut its losses and mothball the splendid modern terminal. If it did so a £10.8m loan from the European Investment Bank would become immediately repayable. The CAA accounts for last year showed that income and profit fell by almost 22m at Sumburgh and the expectation for a heavy deficit.

The CAA has the most difficult job among the Scottish airport authorities since none of its eight airports, with the exception of Sumburgh, was in profit last year although in June the passenger returns showed a 7 per cent increase. Kirkwall in the Orkney Islands had a 26 per cent increase but there is concern in the Highlands about possible privatisation of CAA airports.

In central Scotland there is a superabundance of excellent airports, notably Glasgow and Edinburgh for European and domestic traffic and Prestwick for long-haul jets, principally to and from North America.

The British Airports Authority is determined to protect Prestwick's transatlantic flights, despite the objections in Edinburgh and Glasgow that more routes be opened to those cities. Last year Edinburgh handled 1.2 million passengers, a quarter million fewer than the airport was designed for, giving its boosters another argument why more overseas flights should land there. Overseas visitors to the Edinburgh Festival consider it odd to land at Prestwick on the west coast of Scotland and travel by coach or train for more than an hour, passing two perfectly equipped international airports en route.

A BAA spokesman admitted that in a perfect world that Scotland would probably be best served by a central international

airport but the fact was that the social repercussions of Prestwick closing down were unthinkable and the waste of a major facility not economically acceptable. A number of initiatives were being taken to promote Prestwick as the main Scottish international airport and there is a heavy subsidy for feeder air services to Aberdeen and Belfast.

"Edinburgh and Glasgow were both developed separately and we have to make the best of what we have got," the BAA says. There was little sense in building a central Scottish airport now and duplicating facilities less than one hour apart at a cost of £50m. Apart from that, the landscape did not favour such a development. Much of the windswept high ground separating the two cities often has its head in the clouds. Instead, the BAA will continue to develop Prestwick cargo and passenger traffic.

Ronald Faux

## Islands:

### Going by air is a way of life

In the Orkneys people board an aircraft with less concern than they would climb into a car. Along the broad spread of islands the air link centred on Kirkwall and operated by Loganair acts as a lifeline, a constant reassurance and a convenient transport that reduces a sea voyage of several hours to a flight lasting a few minutes.

The Orkneys are perfect for such an operation, a fact that is immediately apparent as the twin-engined islander aircraft lifts its nose from the runway at Kirkwall and presents to passengers a panorama of the small islands to the north. They are largely flat, intensively farmed with fields that overlap their edges. The sea lanes dividing them are often wide and marked with the white froth of tide rips or submerged reefs. They are scattered so that the air routes to them run like the spokes of a bicycle wheel from the hub of Kirkwall.

The islands of Westray and Papa Westray are so close together that the flight between them is shorter than the length of Heathrow's longest runway - it is claimed as the shortest scheduled flight in the world. The airport on the island of Eday, near the Bay of London, is on a narrow grass strip grazed by sheep.

The island aircraft hop low from island to island, slipping over the rooftops of the quiet, isolated communities to land on fields from which grazing animals have been temporarily cleared. An airport has a windsock shelter, fire appliance and white stones marking the runways to comply with licence regulations. One small Scottish airport rebelled at the cost of a conventional fire appliance and so manufactured one themselves. Someone said it looked like the dog in Dr Who and so the symbol K9 was painted on its side. The department inspector solemnly wrote "K9" in his book and the apparatus has served loyally ever since.

### A welcome from the islanders

In the Orkneys crofters and doctors, peripatetic teachers and midwives, stretcher cases and civil servants, bird watchers and veterinary surgeons and a host of others who are part of the quiet world of the islands all travel by air. Last year Loganair carried 17,000 people in the Orkneys alone. The service ensures a quick delivery of mail and a same-day delivery of cases to hospital.

A similar service operates in Shetland linking Tingwall with the largest of the islands. Other islands are served by charter flights paid for by the Shetland Islands Council including most of the Out Skerries where the

Loganair aircraft is welcomed by the 50 inhabitants who are saved an uncomfortable three-hour voyage by fishing boat or indirect ferry into Lerwick. In the Out Skerries the aircraft is also pressed on the short steep-sloped landing strip by screaming indignation from a thousand or more Arctic terns.

The air service in Shetland is less viable since the Shetland Islands Council developed a roll-on, roll-off ferry service as a road bridge between the mainland and the islands of Yell, Unst, Fetlar and Whalsay. Air travel saves time but is more expensive than the ferry, even though the Loganair operation in Shetland is underpinned by a council contract to provide pollution surveillance flights over the sea approaches to the Sullom Voe oil terminal.

Many oil industry related flights are centred on Scatsta near the oil terminal and with a lot of general traffic clearing to go by road and ferry there is less chance for the inter-island service to break even. Even so the company's daily flight by Twin Otter from Tingwall to Edinburgh is extremely popular.

In the Western Isles, Loganair maintains a daily air link between Stornoway, Benbecula, and when the tide permits Barra on the southern tip of the island. The



Walking casually to a plane at Wick: there were more than 6,000 flights in and out during 1982/3

flight down the eastern coasts ranks surely as one of the most spectacular in Britain over the deeply seaworn shore and small outcropping islands.

At Barra the aircraft dips its wings towards the Cocksie Strand, a stretch of flawless beach. The air

traffic controller there is supposed to tell pilots: "You can come down now, the water is only half way up the gulls' legs," but such unscientific measurement of tidal conditions is firmly denied by the pilots who touch down on the beach in a cloud of salt spray.

Four West Coast airports are operated by the Civil Aviation Authority. Stornoway, Benbecula, Tiree and Islay all showed a downward trend in activity last year because of the recession.

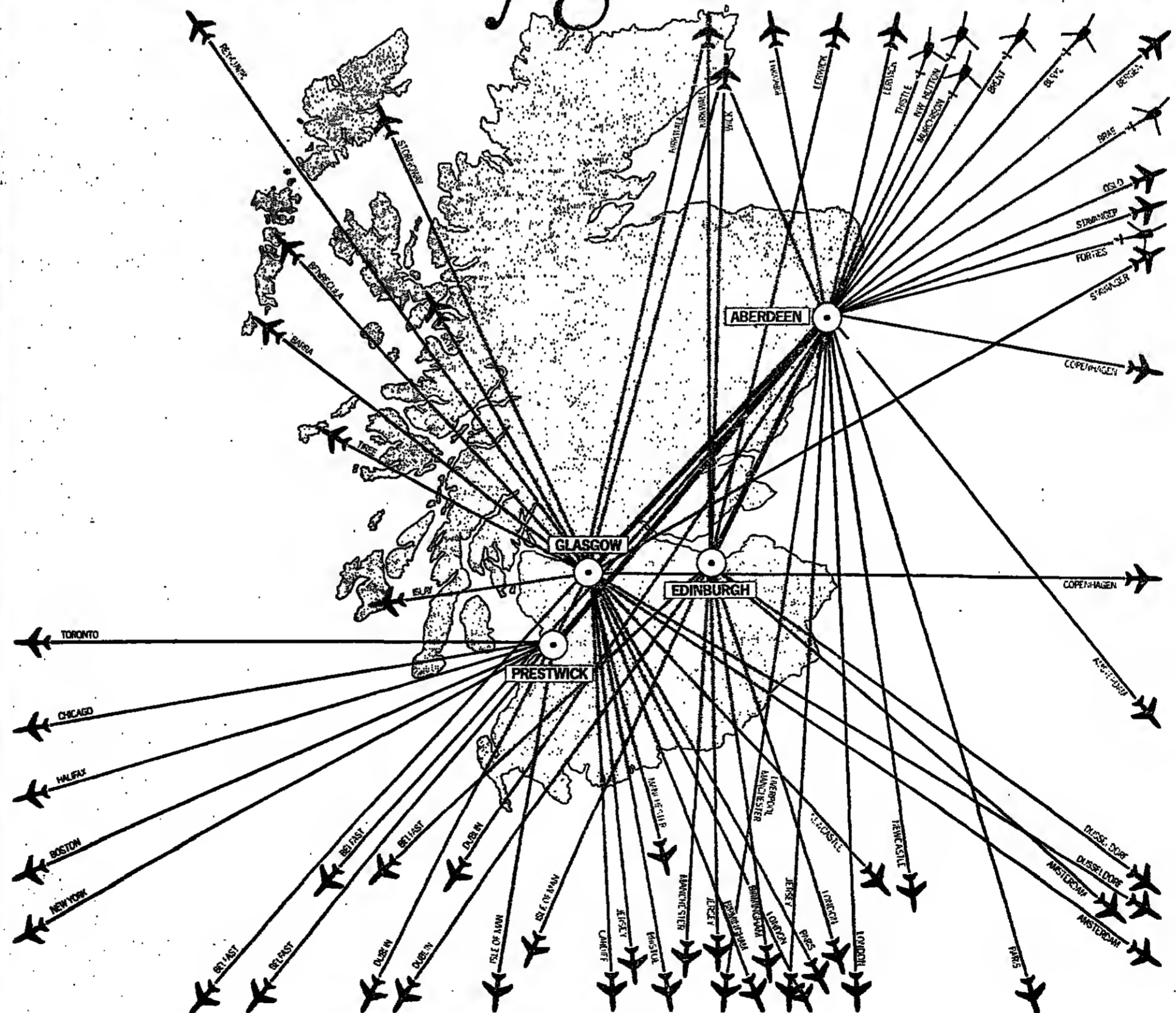
Even so they are an important part of island life. It is the greatest

comfort for islanders to know that in an emergency they could be in a hospital bed sometimes faster than they could be on the mainland. The Air Ambulance service has just celebrated its fiftieth anniversary in Scotland during which time 20,000 casu-

alties have been flown to treatment. It is a sign of the increased use of the service and range of the aircraft that 10,000 of those casualties have been carried in the last ten years.

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CURRENCIES LONDON CLOSE Sterling \$1.4975 down 65pts Index 84.4 down 0.2 DM 3.9725

INTEREST RATES Domestic rates: Bank base rate 9% Finance houses base rate 10% Discount market loans week fixed 9%

GOLD London fixed (per ounce): am \$413.50 pm \$412.25 close \$412.50 (\$276.50)

TODAY Interim: Associate Book Publishers, Aurora, CDRG

ANNUAL MEETINGS Aeronautical & General Instruments, Great Eastern Hotel

NOTEBOOK Combined English Stores has seen a \$2.5m turnaround in its half-year results

Report argues change would allow heavy cut in income tax

Abolition of pension reliefs could save £5.1 billion a year

By Graham Searjeant

The Chancellor could cut the standard rate of income tax possibly by as much as 10p to the pound from 30p to 20p by abolishing special tax reliefs

tax cost of relief on self-employed pensions. On the previous basis, the 1983-84 cost of occupational pension reliefs would be £1.4 billion

better deal for those who change jobs during their careers and are heavily penalized under the occupational pension system

if all these reliefs were withdrawn, pensions would be subject to massive double taxation. The Revenue estimates that pensioners will pay £1.85 billion in income tax on pension payments this year

Inchcape disappoints City

By Philip Robinson

Inchcape Half-year to 30.6.83 Pretax profit £24.5m (£24.9m)

a turnover which rose from £834m to £839m. The profits are £1m better in sterling terms than would have been the case taking exchange rates at December 31, 1982

Bank lending shows modest increase

By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent

The pace of bank lending accelerated in the three months to mid-August, according to new figures from the Bank of England

Puzzle over soccer club for sale

By Wayne Lintoft

An English League football club is for sale. The club was not named in City advertisements yesterday, merely that the directors were asked to return and were offering the club for £200,000

Conran and Octopus to form book publishers

By Andrew Cornelius

Octopus Publishing Group Half-year to 30.6.83 Pretax profit £2.2m (£1.9m)

Telemetrix seeks quote

By Jonathan Chare

Telemetrix, the specialist maker of computer graphics display terminals, is to get a full quote on the Stock Exchange with a valuation of more than £37m

Dow falls in early trading

New York (AP-Dow Jones) Shares were broadly lower in early trading on Wall Street yesterday with transportation issues particularly hard hit

Amex in £517m Alleghany deal

American Express has negotiated a new deal with Alleghany Corporation to buy its main asset, Investor Diversified Services (IDS), for about \$773m (£517m)

City Editor's Comment

Struggling to meet a £275m shortfall

With the BP issue safely out of the way, both the stock market and the Treasury are now turning their minds to what comes next

The better than expected result of the BP tender means that Mr Lawson has now assured himself of another £542m towards his revised £1,250m asset-sale target for this financial year

Of the likely candidates in this field, Cable & Wireless seems the only really feasible runner, if only because the others are either too recently denationalized (eg British)

Doubt

In order to reach the magic (though entirely artificial) figure of £1,250m, the Chancellor therefore needs another £275m

Important

But this already appears to have been abandoned, as the Government's holding has slipped - apparently without protest - from 50 to 45 per cent as a result of C & W's share-plus-cash purchase of a stake in the Hongkong Telephone Company earlier this year

WALL STREET

AMR Corp was trading at 28 3/4, off 1/4, and UAL at 28 1/4, off 1/4. Delta Airlines was 32 3/4, down 1/4

World Bank chief pleads for more funds

'Time bomb' warning by Clausen

From Frances Williams An impassioned plea for the rich countries of the world to step up the flow of financial resources to the poorest nations was launched yesterday by Mr A. W. 'Tom' Clausen, President of the World Bank

Swire Pacific Limited Consolidated results for the six months ended 30th June 1983 and 1983 interim dividends

Table with 4 columns: Results, 30th June 1983, 31st December 1982, 30th June 1982. Rows include Turnover, Operating profit, Interest charges, etc.

The interim dividends are payable on 22nd November 1983 to shareholders on the register at the close of business on 21st October 1983

Swire Pacific Limited The Swire Group Swire House, Hong Kong

MARKET REPORT by Michael Clark

Spanish insolvency hits shares

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings begin, Sept 13, Dealings end, Sept 30, Contango Day, Oct 3, Settlement Day, Oct 10.

The smell of burnt fingers wafted around the market yesterday sending share prices reeling. A Panamanian subsidiary of the Spanish banking group C & R Pastor has become involved and is unlikely to be able to meet its commitments after massive over dealing of shares on the London stock market.

The debts could be as high as \$55m (£33.4m) and may have serious repercussions for London firms who handled Pastor's business in London.

Pastor's Panamanian subsidiary specialized in arbitrage business and having found itself sitting on large losses dealt "cash and new" carrying over its losses into the next account. Unfortunately the market continuing to drift ahead of the BP sale the losses merely grew.

The FT Index reflected the market's fall around the market closing 8.5 down at 694.0. Blue chips were worst affected with Diagnostics falling 4p to 212p. GKN 3p to 166p, BTR 8p to 54p, Glaxo 10p to 780p, Grand Metropolitan 7p to 320p and Lucas Industries 3p to 150p.

Bowater was also a weak market, first showing signs of recovery but later recovered to close only 3p down at 198p after 194p.

Bid speculation in Britannia Arrow built up to a crescendo yesterday with the shares climbing 5p to a high of 90p. Word in the market suggests a parcel of about 15pc of the shares has changed hands outside the market but this was being discounted by close observers. Arbutnot Latham is reported to have considered a consortium bid for the group.

million new shares have now changed hands in the first two days of trading. News that the Hongkong Government was being forced to rescue one of the colony's local banks continued to unshrine the financial markets out in the Far East. A statement said the government will take over the

business of Hang Lung Standard Chartered last night confirmed it acted as a clearer for Hang Lung but said its commitments would be taken up in full by the Hongkong Government. Nevertheless, Standard still fell 15p to 422p.

Hongkong companies with London quotes also lost ground. Cheung Kong fell 2p to 53p, after 57p. Hutchinson Whampoa 1p to 84p, after 87p, and Jardine Matheson 3p to 82p, after 85p. The colony's financial community had been hopeful that the government would step in and support the HK dollar which has fallen to its lowest ever level against the US dollar.

A consortium headed by N. G. Shipping and Michael Davies has increased its holding in Milford Docks. It has bought an extra 312,000 and now owns a total of 778,000 ordinary shares or 24.95 per cent of the total. The consortium has also obtained an option to buy an extra 153,000

shares which, if exercised will take its stake to 29.85 per cent. Gibraltar-based Seaforth Investments has increased its holding in Atkins Bros, the Hosiery group, and now owns 425,000 shares, or 13.26 per cent of the total. Shares of BP settled down to a more leisurely pace following Monday's successful Government sell off. The partly paid added 2p to 208p after 210p, with the old also 2p dearer at 238p, after 240p. More than 35 million of the 130

Broker Charles Stanley has just produced a buy circular on Low & Bonar following recent interim figures. It now reckons the group will run on the road to recover and is looking for pretax profits of £6m for the year followed by £8m next year. The shares were unchanged at 114p.

of Atkins Bros rose 1p to 82p on the news. Seaforth has other investments in United Kingdom and publicly quoted companies and recently increased its stake in GRC Group, the greyhound racing group, to 10.33 per cent. Shares of the Moorside Trust rose 4p to a new high of 98p following an announcement from the board it had received an

approach which might lead to an offer being made for the company. At present leading shareholders include Sun Life Assurance with 14.8 per cent of the shares, Commercial Union with 8.1 per cent and London & Manchester Assurance with 5.5 per cent. The board says it will keep shareholders informed.

Mr Robert Maxwell, chairman of BPCC never gives up easily. Yesterday he bought a further 281,000 shares in John Waddington, which he narrowly missed winning control of in a fiercely contested takeover battle recently. BPCC and Pergamon Press, the private arm of the Maxwell empire, now control 1.52 million shares, or 24.4 per cent of the total. Between them, however, Mr Maxwell must now wait a year before renewing his assault on the beleaguered Waddington, unchanged at 263p.

David Hargreaves, Chairman of Hestair, slammed as "total rubbish" reports that he was unhappy with the Duple takeover and that the company would take three years to bring into profit. Intending to issue a formal statement later today, Mr Hargreaves added: "We are rather pleased with Duple."



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APPOINTMENTS New chief for Union Discount

The Union Discount Company of London: Mr Roderick Balfour will be an executive director from next Monday...

Flight Refuelling (Holdings): Mr Geoffrey Longbottom has become a director.

Clydesdale Bank: The bank which is a member of the Midland Bank Group...

INVESTORS' NOTEBOOK edited by Michael Prest Triple jump for NEI foreign orders

Northern Engineering Industries Half-year to 30.6.83 Pretax profit £20.1m (£16m) Stated earnings 5.82p (5.21p) Turnover £41.3m (£40.5m) Net interim dividend 1.65p (1.5p) Shares price 91 1/2 down 4 1/2 Dividend payable 28.11.83

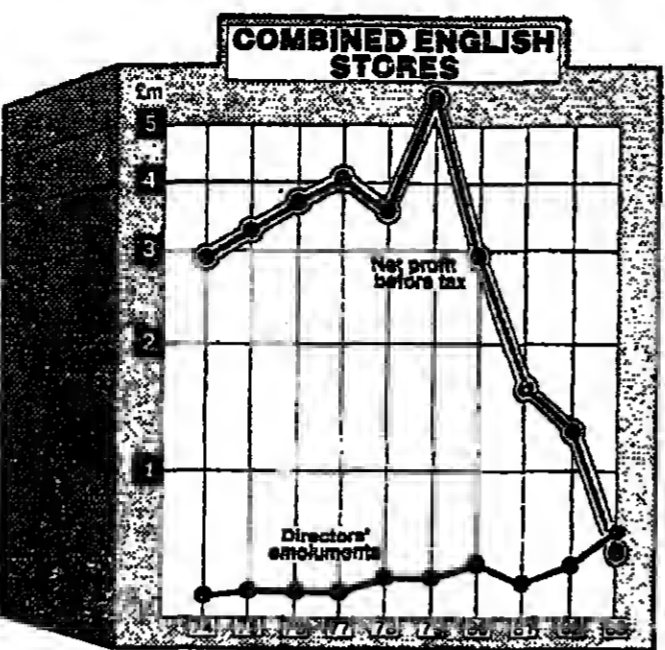
With poor prospects for recovery at home, Northern Engineering Industries has channelled its energies into winning orders overseas...

The board has indicated that the rationalization, which has involved 2,000 job losses in Britain and 1,000 overseas is almost complete...

contracts for nuclear power stations at Heysham II and Torness. This work will continue for another three years at least.

Overseas, NEI Africa performed strongly to increase its profits at the halfway stage. Exel is on target with its new range of telecommunications equipment in the US...

Mr Murray Gordon, the chairman and chief executive, says that the Pentons menswear shops - are being opened after the success of the first four.



chain will be near break-even by the year-end against last times loss of £1.7m. Nevertheless, the first half loss of £800,000 was disappointing.

Mr Gordon says that the second half will benefit strongly from the absence of last year's £1.3m write-off. More Studio shops - selling the same Harry Penton menswear but from bigger

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These are happy days for the International Commodities Clearing House. The organization which clears and guarantees contracts on all London's commodity markets - except the price independent London Metal Exchange - and on several foreign markets will process £100,000m worth of business this year...

Today, however, the Grain and Feed Trades Association - an organization which has unexpectedly found itself in the spotlight - will decide on the date on which to launch a new pork contract.

The contract of 50 chilled carcasses a lot will probably start in March or April next year. Apples could follow in the meantime - will decide on the date on which to launch a new pork contract.

US operations lift Brent Chemicals

Brent Chemicals, the specialist company which supplies the automotive, food, brewing and aerospace industries, yesterday reported a 17 per cent increase in profits to £1.9m for the half-year to June 30, compared with the same period last year.

There will be a further benefit from the closure of the Pasqual distribution business in France which was charged as an extraordinary item of £290,000 in the figures.

The merger of the Reddish Savilles businesses has also been completed with the costs of the merger fully written off last year. The board has indicated that it is actively seeking to expand

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COMBINED ENGLISH STORES GROUP PLC A substantial recovery. The Group made a £2.5 million recovery from the depressed level of last year.

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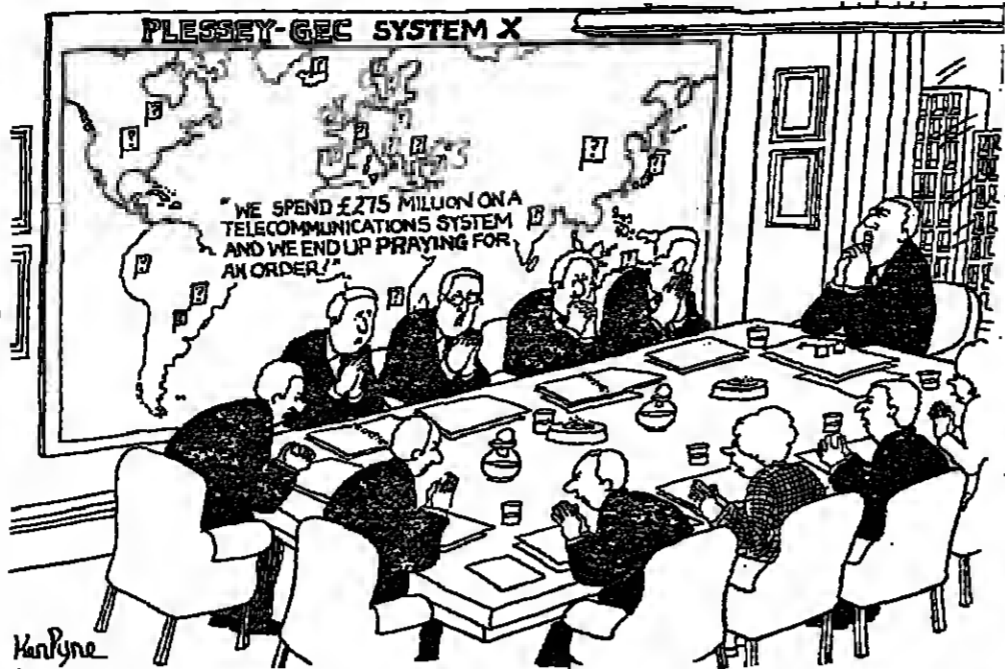
In the second of our series, John Lawless looks at Britain's fight to tap the £30bn world telephone market

# Turning point to success for System X

There are two legends about the worldwide telecommunications industry. The first concerns a Kansas City undertaker who was so fed up with calls being directed to a competitor's funeral parlour - by the competitor's wife who worked at the local telephone exchange - that he invented the world's first automatic call-switching device. The other is that after more than 15 years of development, by 1,000 engineers and at a cost of £275m, Britain's third generation electronic telephone network, System X, is commercial failure. The first is true - and Mr Almon B Strowger's anti-body snatching equipment is, more than 80 years on, still used in 4,302 of Britain's 6,598 local exchanges.

The second is not. Proof, however, will have to wait. By the exporter's harsh creed, "the only success is an order that is signed, sealed, delivered and paid for". British Telecom can talk for days about the amazing benefits of the digital national network it has begun to install, with initial equipment orders of £150m to be added to twice a year. By 1986, 30 main centres will be linked by digital transmission, with 80 trunk exchanges in place two years later. The City of London will be the first to be blessed with the many, and often business-applicable, add-on services under a pilot scheme next year. But the only thing the manufacturers, Plessey and GEC, cannot add is the name of their first important overseas buyer of System X.

That moment, though, may come in as little as two weeks time. The manufacturers refuse to be drawn about their immediate sales prospects. The industry, however, is buzzing with the sort of noises which digital systems are supposed to eliminate. A Middle East customer, it is said, is close to a decision.



supposed to eliminate. A Middle East customer, it is said, is close to a decision. The excitement of business insiders is more easily understood if they are likened to zoo-keepers awaiting the birth of an animal which has managed to combine the rarity of the panda with the pregnancy of an elephant: orders for digital networks have been few, and follow tendering periods of up to three years. When System X gets the next order or not, the noticeable thing about senior management in the companies involved is that they are not chewing crossed fingers. They maintain that, within a very short period, their chances of success will improve dramatically. System X was developed jointly by British Telecom, Plessey, GEC and Standard Telephones, which later dropped out. A year ago, development collaboration ended, leaving the two manufacturers as rivals not only for BT's business, but to grab a share for Britain of a highly competitive £30bn a year market to bring the world into the new telephone-based electronic age. The heart of this competition is in countries which do not have their own manufacturers. The frustration in the System X camp is not so much over the "no sales" talks as over the tantalising dream of success. "There are 400 million telephones in the world", says Mr Eric Clark, chief executive of Plessey Communications. "The orders placed so far for systems which can compete with System X amount to six or seven million. That means there is more than 98 per cent of today's market still to go - and it is growing and growing."

of a working 5,000 line exchange. British Telecom has so far installed 3,500 lines, but will have reached the magic 5,000 mark by next spring. Thus, one of the most important reasons why competitors have won so far is simple: product availability. Most have got there. British telecommunications specialists insist, by taking a different route; mostly by developing less advanced and not fully digitized systems, using that technique for transmission, but adapting analog exchange equipment to work on computer controls. That suggests that System X is technologically ahead, but its producers acknowledge that the opposition is scurrying to catch up. How long System X will, therefore, be able to claim an edge, even when it has demon-

strable product availability, is anyone's guess. The other view must be that, with BT paying development costs to produce a system for the advanced British market, it was not compatible with the needs of Third World buyers, who have been most often, identified as its best potential customers. It is repeatedly accused of being late. "It would have been nice had it become economically viable for a country to buy."

"System X is not a can of beans. Telecommunications is what we are selling, not a one-off product, and it demands a co-ordinated effort to create an environment in which the customer wants to buy." But what about the double-edged adjective that is regularly used? "This Concorde thing is rubbish" said a renownedly-mild Mr John Alvey, BT's engineer-in-chief. "We could not have achieved the same thing by going out to international tender. There is nothing better than System X, and every technical decision that was taken throughout the development phase was made with the needs of world markets very much in mind."

Yet every time a digital system is offered to a customer, the need to tailor it to individual requirements is still immense. "The technical documents involved in our Indian bid stacked into

China was much heart-warming for the British. "We could have sold there had System X been up and running in significant quantities in Britain, says Mr Clark emphatically. The order, for just \$11m., went to L M Ericsson, of Sweden, for an exchange in Guangdong - a province with an urgent need to build up its communications, having soaked up hundreds of the foreign joint venture factories. "They were looking for evidence of a 5,000-line, fully-digitized exchange in operation," adds Mr Clark. "The fact that they hesitated for at least a year was a measure of the want-factor they had for System X technology."

In the end, industry sources believe, they paid at least 25 per cent more than the System X price.

Tomorrow:  
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## Why forfeit notes are big business

One of the main problems to emerge from the international debt crisis has been how leading manufacturers can continue exporting to those countries with little or no hard currency or a poor credit rating. Ironically, solving these problems has fallen upon those trade financing sectors of the same banks whose international loan departments are battling to sort out the massive re-scheduling game now being played.

The age-old barter system has assumed new significance while a "tremendous" growth is taking place in counter-purchasing deals and a little known loan-paper market called a forfeit, or forfeiture note. Forfeiture notes came into prominence as a trade tool in the late 1960s through West Germany's trade with the Eastern bloc. Vienna became the primary market, while Switzerland and London have since become prominent.

The international debt crisis has pushed this form of trade financing to the fore and over the last two years the market in the paper has virtually doubled to an estimated £3,000m a year. Midland Bank recently established Midland Aval, to specialise in the sector, where its spokesman, Mr Ian Guild, said: "Every penny advanced is for trade. It takes us away from syndicated loans where the funds seem to drop into one big bottomless hole."

He pointed out that in the current round of re-scheduling, forfeiture notes are being repaid and are not included in any deferment - even by countries like Brazil, Mexico, Argentina and Poland. Mr Nigel Hudson is general manager of the London branch of Creditanstalt, Austria's biggest company and biggest bank, which handles 40 per cent of Austria's export financing.

He says: "There is a big difference in a country allowing a default on a note covering the import of goods supporting a basic industry than allowing a default on an internationally syndicated loan." A forfeiture note is basically a promissory note issued by an importer who spreads his payment over several years - usually between three and five years - and includes in that note an interest payment. A central bank will guarantee it, so there are legally enforceable rights. The note is then sold by the exporter to its bank which pays the debt, minus the interest. The note is then discounted and sold into a secondary market, with a hard currency backing, where investors will ride the yield curve. The investor, however, has no recourse to the bank from whom he bought the note, so the investor carries the country-default risk.

According to Mr Hudson, it is an easy tool to use and pays the exporter much more quickly than, say, the Export Credit Guarantee Department.

For those countries where even that form of note is not accepted, barter and counter-purchasing are growing as trade financing tools. A recent export of British chemicals to Indonesia was paid for by the proceeds from the European sale of Indonesian wood. All well and good, if a country has domestically produced commodities to trade.

For Third World countries, where even their commodities, if any, have limited attractions, the counter-purchasing system has taken on new significance. This involves a specialised company - Creditanstalt's is AWI, a London-based subsidiary that deals with Britain's accepting houses and America's big banks like Chase Manhattan - acting as a middle-man for the exchange of goods.

This system satisfies those exporters which cannot or do not want to find a market for goods offered in exchange. The goods do not have to be internally produced. They can be left over from another, entirely different transaction. For instance, AWI sold Jamaican aluminium to pay for the import of a large order of Land Rovers. AWI's job is to sell the goods and work out a price with the exporter.

"All the systems show tremendous growth," Mr Hudson added. "But they do not counter risks. If you know what you are doing, however, they can certainly be less risky than a straight bank loan."

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Mr John Mackay, Chairman, this week reopened the Company's London showroom and design complex at Roman House, Wood Street, which has been refurbished to celebrate its 25th anniversary. New design ranges for hotels and public houses are amongst the many innovative items on display which include examples of the company's recent introduction of specialised tufted products being marketed by its subsidiary Hugh Mackay Special Products Limited.

### Interim Report 1983

	Six months to 30th June 1983	Six months to 30th June 1982
Group turnover	£5,305,000	£4,505,000
Trading profit before tax	£102,000	(£69,000)
Interim dividend - per share	1.40p	1.40p

**Statement by the Chairman**

Margins remain small, but it is encouraging to see the turnaround in trading profit compared with the first half of 1982. Although present trading conditions can hardly be termed "boom" the recent volume of enquiries remains encouraging and the current order book gives hope that the momentum will be sustained or indeed improved in the second half. This would repeat the trading cycle of the previous years.

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YACHTING

Lexcen unveils secrets of that superior keel

From Barry Pickthall, Newport, Rhode Island
The Australian victory in the seventh and final deciding race for the America's Cup against the American defender 12-metre, Liberty, out on Rhode Island Sound on Monday can be attributed to one man - Ben Lexcen.



The jubilant team in Australia II accept the applause as mould-breaking heroes.

It was the brilliance of his 12-metre design that finally broke the 132-year dominance of the Americans held in the field of yacht design and technology for Australia II, reverting from Australia I, the challenger, held such a speed advantage over the American yacht that her crew were able to make the most basic blunders - and still win.

RUGBY UNION Injury likely to rule out Irvine

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent
The Barbarians have included Andy Irvine in a strong Scottish contingent for their game against Newport at Rodney Parade next Tuesday, but it seems most unlikely that the former Scotland full back will be able to play.



Irvine: tore a thigh muscle in last game.

ATHLETICS 'Horror show' of drugs

New York (AP) - The image of the all-American sports hero is being blurred by the frequent disclosure of drug and alcohol abuse among a number of the nation's top professional athletes.

BOXING Rival creeps up on pool

The World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association intends to run a 22-man major tournament in Los Angeles next June. The game is hardly known in the United States, where the main cue game is pool.

FOR THE RECORD

AMERICAN FOOTBALL NATIONAL LEAGUE: New York Giants 27, Green Bay Packers 3. BASEBALL: American League: Cleveland Indians 7, New York Yankees 3.

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IN BRIEF

RUGBY LEAGUE: The winner of the John Player Special Trophy this season will receive £10,000 out of recent prize money of £44,500.

Bond, a man of his word

On a spring morning in 1970 at a ship building yard in Mamaroneck, New York, Alan Bond, of Australia, and the crew from his yacht... Apollo, spotted an unusual yacht and climbed aboard to inspect her.

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TENNIS

Treading the road to Telford from Wimbledon

Christopher Mottram and Colin Dowdeswell, who were born in the same Wimbledon nursing home in 1955...

GOLF

Chance for vengeance

Sandy Lyle who has been beaten twice in finals in the past three years, gets a chance of revenge in the £150,000 World Match-play...

Award for Decker

The American middle distance runner, Mary Decker was named Amateur Sportsman of the Year...

RACKETS

Prenn to defend his world title against an irrepressible rival

John Prenn, aged 30, who defeated William Surtess in December 1981 to win the world rackets championship...



Concentration: John Prenn perfectly poised for a backhand.

larity at Clifton, Harrow, and Winchester. To encourage local residents who take up the game...

A touch of Irish in a game so eccentrically English

Bicycle polo was once an Olympic sport, so let us have no unseemly mockery of the nine teams who recently trekked across England to thrash...

Acceleration

The BPA secretary, Tony Knight, remembers playing his first game on an errand boy's bike with a basket on the front...

But experience and technique count in this game, a strange sport that demands strange skills. 'I'm a newcomer,' said Clem Cowling...

Simon Barnes

Like a circus trick cyclist, this cooned player waits for the start (Photograph: Chris Harris)



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Final first-class averages for the 1983 cricket season

Imran stirs memories of the days of Grace

To 1982 Imran Khan's performances for Pakistan against England established him among the game's leading all-rounders...

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WICKET-KEEPERS: D E East 60 (60); Sock R C Russell 62 (45); R J Jarvis 60 (61); R R Dorsett 60 (64); S C Richards 55 (42); D L Barrow 56 (47); R R V Pootock 54 (56); G W Jones 52 (40); S E J. Knight 52 (57); G Cook, O B Steele 22; R B V. PAST CENTURY: S J O'Shaughnessy (Lancashire); 25 runs; L. Lancaster, at Old Trafford, September 13.

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FOOTBALL: ENGLISH SIDES EMBROILED AGAIN IN THE THUD AND BLUNDER OF EUROPE

Watford to make the blood run hot

Danes unlikely to cause ripples

The days when Danes could be regarded as a major surprise...

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That match, a game of high pace and constant attack...

Odense are strengthened by the return of their international defender...

Whether their less than watertight defence will be able to cope...

Had he been able to, Watford's success would have seemed more likely...

Injured Hrubesch to miss cup tie

Liège, Belgium, (Reuters) - Athlete Luc Hrubesch...



Nicol: a rare chance to wear the Liverpool shirt

Yesterday's results

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Birmingham 2, Ipswich 1...

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TODAY'S FIXTURES

Star Betegun v Varos; Groningen v Atletico Madrid...

Football

First round, second leg: Dundee United v Spartans...

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First round, second leg: Aberdeen v Celtic...

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First round, second leg: Celtic v Aberdeen...



Zico: kicked and punched

Europe's kickers fix their victims

Zico and Diego Maradona, two of the world's leading players...

Goal surfeit

Jozef Bratislava, of Czechoslovakia, beat Rabat Ajax...

Foster to try a rest cure

The Brighton captain, Steve Foster, who is suffering from a troublesome Achilles tendon...

EQUESTRIANISM

Fast JR nimbly conquers Everest

Geoff Billington gave a splendid exhibition of speed jumping...

ICE SKATING

Germans figure in cosmopolitan crowd

West Germany have struck the first blows at the start of a new ice skating season...

GOLF

Example of poor use of a driver

Good driving was hardly a feature of the first day of the Sunningdale Ladies' Open Fourstones...

IN BRIEF

ROWING: The newly-elected International Rowing Commission...

BOXING: Boxing correspondents of The Sunday Times...

DELAWARE FOREST: An English school newspaper...

The Englishman roused to passion

This week sees the publication of The Way to Lord's (Willow Books, £8.95)...

Selections of letters to The Times have been numerous and popular...

It does, of course, present mostly an "establishment" view of cricket...

In the past 20 years or so cricket has become slightly more democratic...

The book is, nevertheless, marvellously enjoyable...

Obstructing the field

From Mr A. Milne: A member of the Westminster School...

Women in cricket

From Sir John Squire: Editor, poet and man of letters...

Umpires in the village game

From Mr Charles Ponsoby: Sir, I am glad that Mr Aidan Crawley...

Caught Fish

From Mr R. Townsend Stephens: Sir, Mr Thornton Berry's anecdote...

Baseball

From Grandmother: Sir, Some American athletes are trying to introduce...

Manager resigns

East Berlin (Reuters) Rudolf Krause, the manager of the East German football team...

Rugby Union

CLUB MATCHES: Cross Keys (7.0) v Cheltenham...

Rugby League

YORKSHIRE CUP: Salford v Hull

Basketball

EUROPEAN CUP WINNERS' CUP: First round, first leg...

Cricket

Cross Arrows v Stannary (at Lord's, 11.0)

RACING: NEWMARKET SALES OFF TO A FLYING START

Strong claims for Prickle in Cheveley Park

By Michael Seely

Prickle can further establish her claim to be considered the best two-year-old filly trained in these islands by winning the Cheveley Park Stakes at Newmarket this afternoon. With the overnight withdrawal of Chapel Cottage, the Irish-trained challenger, Gala Event appears likely to be Prickle's main opponent.

New marketing concept

An original marketing scheme for America for horses that have raced in the United States. The scheme has been devised by Goffs Bloodstock Sales, Fasig-Tipton Company and Fair Hill, the training centre. The company's aim is to put individual trainers who have an individual choice to use the scheme.

Newmarket

Tote double: 2.45, 3.45. Treble: 2.15, 3.15, 4.20. Draw: no advantage. (Television: (TV) 2.15, 2.45 and 3.15 races)

1.45 WYLLIE MILE HANDICAP (2-y-o; £5,244; 1m) (13 runners) 103 214121 BUZZLER (M) C Healey J Bealby 7 W Carson 8 104 021411 BAZZLE (M) C Healey J Bealby 7 W Carson 8

2.15 LONSDALE STAKES (2-y-o selling; £2,463; 7f) (28) 201 0140 HOWPOOD (U) Sabin B Hills 9-2 S Clouston 20 202 401002 LEADENHALL (B) (P) Moredun R Bosa 9-2 S Clouston 20

2.45 WILLIAM HILL CHEVELEY PARK STAKES (2-y-o fillies; Group 1; £41,918; 6f) (12) 301 004982 AFRICAN ABANDON (A) Richard C British 8-11 Pat Eddery 7

3.15 PETITION STAKES (3-y-o; £4,518; 1m) (4) 404 385192 LINDA'S FANTASY (J) Gray R Armstrong 8-12 W Carson 8

3.45 HIGHFLYER HANDICAP (3-y-o; £4,032; 6f) (13) 502 004040 FAIRWIND (D) Alroy R Houghton 8-7 A Murray 7

4.20 STAYERS' HANDICAP (3-y-o; £5,010; 2m) (13) 602 012320 ERIN (D) Lady Stewart-Walker W Carson 8

Nottingham Going Good to firm 2.15 SITHORPE STAKES (2-y-o) Selling: 1028 1m 50yds 1.00 LINDSAY STAKES (2-y-o) Selling: 1028 1m 50yds

Goodwood results 2.00 COOKED HAT HANDICAP (2-y-o) Selling: 1028 1m 50yds 1.00 ACK VEBL by 1 by Blakeney - Adams (B) 1

Newmarket selections 1.45 Spitalfields. 2.15 Bon Homage. 2.45 Prickle. 3.15 Legend Of France. 3.45 Saxham Brock. 4.20 Feels Right.

Laing finds key to Kuwait Team

By Michael Seely

The Derby winner Troy, who died earlier this year, was the first star of the record breaking show at the Newmarket sales yesterday. Dick Hern, the man who trained the 1979 Derby winner, paid 1,200,000 guineas for a yearling colt out of Princess Mathilda. This figure not only constituted a record for a yearling colt but also for any thoroughbred previously sold at public auction in Europe.

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Ludlow

2.0 STRETTON JOCKEYS' HURDLE (253s; 2m) (11 runners) 1 000 Lynwood Lady (B) 8-10-1 C McElrick 1

2.15 WATERHALL HANDICAP (selling; £1,035; 1m) (17) 1 0288 EAGLEFIELD (C) C Holton 8-6-12 P Matthews 7

2.45 ERIC SIMMS HANDICAP (£2,531; 1m) (11) 1 1000 ROAM (M) P Hayes 5-10 J Matthews 11

Anthony Weber: rides the fancied Bashful Lad (3.0) 3.30 SHROPSHIRE HURDLE (Div 1; 3-y-o novices; £482; 2m) (11) 1 41 Magic Mole (B) 11-1 J Richards

4.0 RICHARDS CASTLE CHASE (handicap; £1,136; 2m 4f) (10) 1 303 Lady Portera 8-11-12 C Cassel 7

3.30 LONGBOY STAKES (2-y-o fillies; £552; 7f) (18) 1 040 YOUNG LADY (B) 10-0 A Clark 1

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Brighton

Draw advantage: low numbers best 1.45 RACE HILL STAKES (2-y-o; £1,813; 5f 60y) (15 runners) 2 214 ANTON PILLAR (M) Cecil 8-9 N Day 0

4.15 STEIN STAKES (3-y-o; £2,040; 1m 2f) (14) 1 0001 TRUSTY TROUBADOR (B) R Houghton 8-11 C Current 0

Brighton selections By Our Racing Staff 1.45 Anton Pillar. 2.15 Sky Jump. 2.45 Cabello. 3.15 Muckle Roe. 3.45 True Heritage. 4.15 Kilfithrie.

Beverley Draw advantage: high numbers best 2.0 AVONAL HANDICAP (selling; £814; 1m 4f) (7 runners) 2 0000 BLAKEY BANK (B) Ht Jones 4-8-11 W Carson 8

4.0 BOUNTY STAKES (2-y-o maidens; £552; 1m) (8) 3 0000 CRETOWER C British 8-0 M Birch 6

Beverley selections By Our Racing Staff 2.0 Satin Grange. 2.30 Spacemaker Boy. 3.0 Addaana. 3.30 Rummage. 4.0 Maricourt. 4.30 Tivian.

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Country Property... various small advertisements and notices on the right margin.

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Country Properties advertisement featuring JOHN D WOOD, SURREY, Between Leatherhead and Guildford. Includes contact details for 23 Berkeley Square, London W1X 6AL.

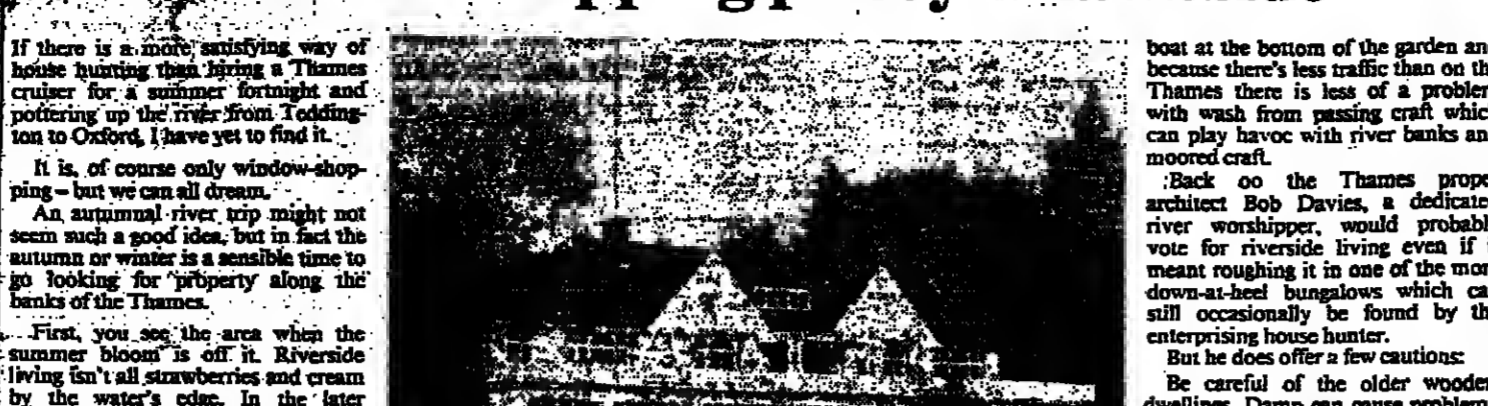
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If there is a more satisfying way of house hunting than hiring a Thames cruiser for a summer fortnight and pottering up the river from Toddington to Oxford, I have yet to find it.

It is, of course only window-shopping - but we can all dream. An autumnal river trip might not seem such a good idea, but in fact the autumn or winter is a sensible time to go looking for property along the banks of the Thames.

First, you see the area which the summer bloom is off it. Riverside living isn't all strawberries and cream by the water's edge.

Second, as the leaves fall from the trees you are likely to be able to negotiate a more realistic price than you might manage in the high days of summer.

Even a modest three-bedroom bungalow can cost about £17,000 at the moment for an asking price of £17,500.

Property South of the Thames

Property South of the Thames advertisement listing various properties such as Detached Imposing Victorian House, SYDENHAM, BRAND NEW, CLAPHAM - GEORGIAN TOWNHOUSE, PUTNEY, and BARNES/SHORTLAND.

Large advertisement grid containing numerous property listings categorized by region: WILTSHIRE, HAMPSHIRE, Surrey/Hants Border, BRISTOL, Wiltshire Sherston, SPELDURST, CRICKIETH WALES, BOREHAM, ABBOTTS, NR. EAST GRINSTEAD, WINDSOR, HERTS, WILTSHIRE, WILTSHIRE PEWSEY, WILTSHIRE, WILTSHIRE, WILTSHIRE, WILTSHIRE, WILTSHIRE, WILTSHIRE, WILTSHIRE.

Country Properties

Country Properties advertisement featuring Humbersts, Shropshire Ludlow 8 miles, Shrewsbury 28 miles. 13 acres. A magnificent Victorian mansion house.

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The Old Rectory, Somerton, Oxfordshire FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION 26th OCTOBER 1983.

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WILTSHIRE. 12th century, listed building, with beautiful garden.

WILTSHIRE. Large house, 3 beds, 2 baths, garden, driveway, utility, large lounge.

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